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## CO-OPERATION IN PHILANTHROPY

### ROCKEFELLER ASKS AN IMPORTANT QUESTION

#### Would Better Results Follow Combination in Principle of Giving?

New York, Dec. 28.—"If a combination to do business is effective in saving waste and in getting better results, why is not combination far more important in philanthropic work?"

In this question is set forth the text of an article by John D. Rockefeller, head of the Standard Oil interests, published in the current issue of *World's Work*. The general subject of Mr. Rockefeller's article is the value of the co-operative principle in giving. Mr. Rockefeller expresses the belief that the general idea of co-operation in giving for education, scored a real step in advance when Andrew Carnegie consented to become a member of the general education board, "for in accepting a position in this directory," says Mr. Rockefeller, "he has, it seems to me, stamped with his approval this vital principle of co-operation in aiding the educational institutions of our country."

### LABOR CASE IS STILL SUB JUDICE

#### President Cannot Interfere With Sentences of Gom- pers and Colleagues.

Washington, Dec. 28.—In the official statement issued at the White House on Saturday in regard to presidential interference in the cases of President Gompers, Vice-President Mitchell and Secretary Morrison, of the American Federation of Labor, now under sentence for contempt of court, attention is called to the fact that the cases are still before the courts, and that, no matter what the president's opinion may be as to the justice of the sentences imposed, he cannot take any action looking to pardon or express any opinion as to the merits of the case.

The text of the statement follows: "Various appeals have been made to the president to interfere by pardons in the case of Mr. Gompers and his associates. Those making the appeals are apparently not aware of the fact that the matter is still before the courts. It is a civil suit by private parties, and there has been no way by which the government could have intervened, even if it had desired to do so. Whether the president does or does not think the sentence of Mr. Gompers and his associates excessive is not at present of consequence, because he cannot take any action or express any opinion while the case is pending before the courts.

"When the decision is made then the president can promptly consider whether the terms of imprisonment are excessive or improper. But it is, of course, impossible for the president to act while an appeal is pending, for he has nothing whatever to act about. The court must finish with the case first, and the defendants are at the present moment at liberty on bail. If the defendants see fit to abandon their appeal the matter will then, of course, be brought before the executive, in which case it will receive immediate and most careful consideration. But the defendants have a perfect right to prosecute their appeal, and, if unsuccessful in the final court, then ask for a pardon or commutation. But as long as they are prosecuting an appeal the president has nothing to do with the matter.

"The president has already instructed the department of justice to keep him fully informed as to the progress of the case, so that in the event of its becoming proper for him to act he may have at his disposal all the facts which will enable him to decide whether there was justification for such punishment and whether the sentence is or is not altogether too severe. But at present the president has no more to do with the case than with the case of the \$25,000,000 fine imposed by Judge Landis on the Standard Oil Company, which is also on appeal, and concerning which the president has also been repeatedly asked to interfere by well-meaning persons, who did not know that he could not interfere while the matter was still before the courts on appeal."

"We don't patronize." Chicago, Ill., Dec. 28.—Notwithstanding the unanimous protest of labor against the jail sentence imposed on Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison, the Central Federation Union here received yesterday from President Gompers a letter, in which he told the unions that he had discontinued on the advice of counsel, the "we don't patronize" in the future issue of the Federationist, the labor organ. Upon hearing this the Central Federation Union also decided upon the advice of the chairman to suspend its unfair list for a while. This was agreed upon at the same gathering, where a resolution protesting against Judge Wright's decision, was adopted.

### QUAKE DAMAGES VESSELS.

London, Dec. 28.—A dispatch received here from Catania, Sicily, says the Swedish steamer Asta, the Austrian steamer Budatwo, and the Italian steamer Treviso, were damaged today by an earthquake, and the consequent tidal disturbance at that port. The extent of the damage to the vessels is not given.

### FRISCO'S NEW BISHOP.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—It was learned here today that Bishop Denis J. O'Connell, rector of the Catholic University of America, has been appointed bishop-elect of San Francisco. The term of Bishop O'Connell, who is at present spending a few days at his old home in Charleston, S. C., as rector, expires on January 11th next.

### "UNCLE TOM" DEAD, AGED 111 YEARS

(Special to the Times.)  
Chatham, Ont., Dec. 28.—Adrian Smith, the oldest man in Kent county, has died, aged 111. He was born in slavery in the southern states, and came to Canada by the underground route. He was by many believed to be the original of Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom."

### MERELY WANTED TO PULL PRESIDENT'S BEARD

#### Fanatic Creates Scene on Paris Street—No Political Significance.

Paris, December, 28.—While Armand Fallieres, the president of France, accompanied by M. Ramondou, his secretary, and Col. Lanson, military attaché at the Elysee Palace, was taking a morning stroll near Rue de l'Etape on Saturday, a poorly clad individual, who evidently had been lying in wait, suddenly jumped on the president from behind and threw his arms about M. Fallieres' neck, in an effort to seize his beard. Colonel Lanson and Secretary Ramondou sprang to the assistance of the president, dragged off his assailant, and turned him over to two special detectives who had been following the party on bicycles. President Fallieres' cane was broken in the struggle, but beyond a scratch on the ear he was not injured and insisted on continuing his walk.

As the detective slipped the handcuffs on the man he cried: "I am unarmed. I simply wanted to pull the president's beard."

The president's assailant proved to be Jean Mattis, a cafe waiter, 34 years of age and a native of the department of Savoie. Steals of General Mercier, the former minister of war, stamps bearing the head of the Duke of Orleans, a card of membership on the Patrie Francaise and other Royalist documents were found on his person.

During the examination Mattis boasted of being a Royalist, and talked confusedly of having done his duty and obeyed the orders of his conscience. Mattis was in close relation with the Royalist organization, and this gives color to rumors that he was an instrument of a Royalist plot. Serious evidence in this direction, however, is lacking.

Mattis has been formally charged with assaulting a magistrate in the exercise of his functions. This crime is punishable by from two to five years' imprisonment.

The leaders of the reactionary opposition to the government and the newspapers championing their cause disavow the assault, and claim that it was instigated by the police, to throw discredit upon their cause and distract public attention from graver questions.

### Merely Fantastic Act.

Paris, Dec. 28.—The entire press of Paris, with the exception of such reactionary newspapers as La Libre Parole and L'Action Francaise, consider the attack made in the streets of Paris on President Fallieres by an unemployed waiter named Mattis, a fantastic act without political importance.

"If the cause of the bombards and the bombards were not as dead as a doornail, such pitiful exhibitions of impotent fury would completely discredit them," voices the general opinion.

Nevertheless, some of the Republican organs express the opinion that the government should do something to put an end to the campaign being conducted persistently by a small group of militant Royalists, which is clerical organizations, with the object of keeping public opinion inflamed.

The recent disorders at the Academy of Medicine, while originating from genuine dissatisfaction with the new system of examination, are attributed largely to this same Royalist and Clerical agitation, which some time ago brought about the retirement of Prof. Thalamas, whose offence consisted in writing a history of Jean d'Arc, to prove that the stories of her divine inspiration were mere legends, devoid of any historic foundation.

## BASIS OF NEW WATER RATES

### CAPITAL EXPENDITURE TO BE MET BY THEM

#### The Proposed Charges De- signed to Pay for Improved System.

The city council's proposal to increase the rates for water has been a subject of much discussion among citizens during the past week. As yet no details have been made public regarding the basis on which the new rates have been made, although these will doubtless be furnished the public if the debate on the finance committee's report takes place in open council, and not at a committee meeting.

The members of the finance committee, as far as can be gathered from them, take the view that the rates are too low as it is and that consumers can very well afford to pay more.

"I think the people of Victoria, considering the supply the city will be able to give them when the new works are completed, should not object to pay at least one dollar a month for the water they consume," is how one member of the committee put it.

It is understood that the rates have been calculated to cover not alone the annual actual cost of supplying water but the charges for the whole capital expenditure now being made on the domestic water system. On a sum of approximately \$600,000 the interest and sinking fund charges naturally form an annual sum which will materially affect the rate. The finance committee considers that the entire expense of the water department, both fixed charges on the capital outlay and the ordinary expenditure on maintenance and operation, should be provided for by the water rates charged to consumers.

The rates which are provided for in the report before council are a temporary expedient to meet the case of consumers whose supply is not metered. As quickly as possible meters will be put in in every case, but that takes time and meanwhile a scale has to be provided which will be as nearly as possible the equivalent of meter rates. Whenever a meter is put in it will be connected up and the consumer will be charged on that basis.

If the report is discussed in council it will probably come up this evening.

### U. S. AMBASSADOR RESIGNS.

Rome, Dec. 28.—The resignation from the diplomatic service of Lloyd C. Griscom, the American ambassador to Rome, is announced by the Italian press today. The news is accompanied by a flattering expression of regret at the ambassador's departure. Mr. Griscom will remain in Rome until March 4th.

### O'BRIEN WILLING TO FIGHT JOHNSON

Sydney, N. S., Dec. 28.—"Philadelphia Jack" O'Brien has cabled to Hugh McIntosh, the fight promoter, saying that he stands ready to fight Jack Johnson, the negro victor over Tommy Burns. McIntosh is considering upon what terms, if any, the challenge will be taken up.

### FIERCE FIGHT NEAR MOSCOW; MANY DEAD

#### Police and Soldiers Bombard Villa Where Revolutionists Are Entrenched.

Moscow, Dec. 28.—Baron Cotte, chief of the secret police, was killed, and Colonel Buraki was wounded in a fierce encounter on Saturday with revolutionists who were entrenched in a suburban villa. During the fight several policemen were killed and others wounded. Troops were summoned to the aid of the policemen and a regular battle ensued. Artillery finally had to be brought to bombard the villa before the revolutionists were subdued.

The occurrence is the most serious since the uprising of December 1905. The villa where the fighting took place occupies a strategic position on Elk Island, an island in the river near Moscow, and a favorite summer resort. The leaders of a revolutionary movement were holding a meeting in the house. The police got wind of the affair and surrounded the villa with the purpose of making arrests. As they approached the house the revolutionists opened fire. This resistance was unexpected and the police withdrew. Then infantry were sent for and with this reinforcement a second advance was made. The police and soldiers had to retire a second time, and it was in this encounter that Baron Cotte was killed and Colonel Buraki wounded. Several soldiers were also killed.

When the artillery appeared, a few well directed shots put an end to the trouble. The losses sustained by the revolutionists are not known, but are doubtless heavy.

## HALF A CENTURY WITH HUDSON BAY

### George McKenzie Retires to Settle Down in Victoria.

There has just retired from the service of the Hudson's Bay Company one of the commissioned officers of the old regime, of whom but one or two remain in harness, and of whom less than two score are now alive. Reference is made to George McKenzie, recently in charge of the James Bay district, and who arrived last week in Victoria, where he has erected a house and will reside in future.

Mr. McKenzie was born at New Brunswick House, Lake Missanabi, in 1840, and entered the service of the Hudson's Bay Company in 1854, at the age of sixteen, at Grand River. In 1862 he was promoted to the rank of post manager and was stationed at



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Sageunay. In 1876 he was made a commissioned officer and held appointments at various places in eastern and northern Quebec, and in Ontario in the Lake Huron district. Retiring from the service in 1879, Mr. McKenzie took up his residence at Pictou, Ont., where he lived until 1881, when he took the western land fever and went to Winnipeg, and purchased a large farm near Headingly, which he operated until 1893, when he re-entered the service of the H. B. Company with a post in Quebec. He is one of the best posted men in Canada regarding northern Quebec, the Ungava district and the country between Lake Superior and Hudson Bay. Mr. McKenzie's Winnipeg friends greatly regret his decision to make his future home in Victoria, having hoped that he would join the old-timers' colony in the neighborhood of the Prairie capital.

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### LIABILITIES ARE THREE MILLIONS

#### H. W. Poor of New York Stock Exchange Goes to the Wall.

New York, Dec. 28.—Henry W. Poor, trading as Henry W. Poor & Company, at 22 Wall street, made an assignment on Saturday to Mark T. Cox, of Robert Winthrop & Company, for the benefit of his creditors. Mr. Poor is also a member of the banking house of H. W. Poor & Company, of this city and Boston.

Henry W. Poor for many years has been a prominent figure in financial circles in this city and Boston. He lives in the magnificent residence at Lexington avenue, Gramercy Park, which was erected by the late Cyrus W. Field. One of the finest private collections of books in the world which Mr. Poor had gathered in his house was placed on sale a few months ago, and a large number of the choicest were disposed of. Mr. Poor has had extensive interests outside of his banking and brokerage business. He is president of the company which publishes "Poor's Railway Manual." He is a native of Bangor, 64 years of age, and a member of the class of '65 at Harvard. He is a member of many clubs. Creditors of Mr. Poor and all the lawyers in the case were in conference on Saturday, and it was said that no official information of any kind would be given out until the conclusion of the meeting.

According to reports in the financial district, the liabilities will approximate \$3,000,000. None of the attorneys would discuss the liabilities or assets, however.

### THIRTY INJURED IN PANIC.

London, Dec. 28.—Thirty persons were injured in a panic caused by a cinematograph fire at Stratford on Saturday evening.

## PROVINCE IS IN PUBLIC EYE

### MANY INQUIRIES MADE IN OLD LAND

#### Hon. R. G. Tatlow Has Re- turned From Trip to British Isles.

Hon. R. G. Tatlow, minister of finance, has reached his home in the city, and is on duty again today in the parliament buildings. He says that British Columbia is coming more and more into prominence in the Old Land, and the inquiries during his stay there were very numerous. That the province is becoming more attractive as a home for Old Country people is, he says, borne out by the statement of Hugh McKerracher, the Dominion government immigration agent in Aberdeen, Scotland, who came across the Atlantic with Capt. Tatlow. Mr. McKerracher said he found an increasing interest shown in British Columbia.

The result of this interest, the minister thinks, will be that many with modest means will come to the province to take up land. While fruit growing, owing to the showing made by the province at the various shows, seems to have a great attraction for them, Capt. Tatlow hopes to see dairy farming and poultry raising receive additions to their ranks.

The provincial fruit attracted a great deal of attention. The remarkable cleanliness from disease and the rich coloring put B. C.'s apples in a class far ahead of the other places represented. At all the shows it was the same experience. Immense crowds would gather about the display and want information. This was given by himself in some instances. On other occasions Agent-General Turner, R. M. Palmer or Mr. Scott, of Salt Spring Island, were on hand to give the necessary information. The cinematograph pictures shown were a valuable addition to the advertising which the province got. The minister points out that the apples sold in the Old Land at figures high enough to pay for their cost. One condition was always imposed upon the successful purchaser, and that was that the fruit when exhibited for sale should be designated as B. C. fruit. Thus the product of the province got another great advertisement. The free advertising of the province through the press wherever the fruit was shown was very hard to estimate.

While in London Hon. Mr. Tatlow had the offices of the agent-general brought from the quarters in the upper floors, about which considerable fault was found, and placed on the ground floor. The cost of the new quarters will be far above that in the old place, but the province he considered required it and should bear the cost.

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### U. S. WILL NOT EXTRADITE CASTRO

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—Despite an unfriendly feeling toward Castro, the United States will probably follow precedent by refusing to sanction the extradition of Castro should President Gomez, as reported from Caracas, ask it. The state department holds that political offences of foreigners are non-extraditable.

### BOSTON MAN WHO BATHES IN FIRE

#### Wonderful Psychic Powers of Human Salamander—De- materialises Himself.

New York, Dec. 28.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Boston tells of the marvelous psychic powers of Fred E. Foskett, a young machinist, who gave an exhibition before Prof. James of Harvard and a number of well known physicians.

Foskett proved himself a human salamander. Fire seemed to have no effect on him. He held lighted sulphur matches to his fingers, and let the flames from an ordinary coal-oil lamp curl about his hands. As a climax he poured a quart of alcohol into the basin, lighted it and then washed his hands, bathing them for nearly ten minutes in the burning fluid, washing it up his arms and on his face—literally bathing himself in blazing alcohol. As soon as it was finished the physicians present examined Foskett, and they could not find the slightest trace of a burn or blister.

In a subsequent test, Foskett, dematerialized, seemed to dissolve into thin air as those present watched him. After forty-one seconds, he materialized again.

### CARMACK MURDER CASE.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 28.—Judge Hart today refused bail to Colonel Cooper, Robin Cooper and J. D. Sharp, charged with the murder of ex-U. S. Senator Carmack.

### WANTS PARTNER ARRESTED.

(Special to the Times.)  
Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 28.—F. S. Nugent issued a warrant to-day for the arrest of Park A. Smith, his partner in the commission business, who, it is alleged, sold a car of provisions to a railway construction outfit at Port Arthur, and pocketed the receipts and left for the States. He came here a year ago from Seattle.

### SOO HAS DAMAGING FIRE.

(Special to the Times.)  
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., Dec. 28.—The Hussey block, in the west end, was destroyed by fire yesterday morning, and the Coronation block adjoining it was badly damaged. The loss will exceed twenty thousand dollars.

### CAYENNE PEPPER ENDS FACTION FIGHT

(Special to the Times.)  
Toronto, Ont., Dec. 28.—A package of Cayenne pepper dumped into the stove at the Jacob synagogue during a fierce faction fight cleared the place started sneezing. The whole crowd started sneezing. The police inspector, who was there to keep the peace, threw his dignity to the winds and slipped through the nearest window.

### CHINESE REBEL AGAINST NEW OPIUM LAW

#### Villagers Arm to Withstand Order Prohibiting Planting of Poppies.

Amoy, Dec. 28.—The riots, which started on Saturday with the refusal of natives to obey an order prohibiting the planting of opium poppies, now affect twelve villages. Twenty miles west of Tung An two thousand men are reported under arms. They have withdrawn to the Berlin mountains and the authorities have asked the Viceroy at Foo Chow for additional troops.

### WAS "SUGAR KING" OF PACIFIC COAST

#### Claus Spreckels, Aged Eighty, Dies in San Fran- cisco.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 28.—Claus Spreckels, widely known as the "sugar king" of the Pacific coast, died at 4:30 o'clock on Saturday at his home in this city, in his eightieth year. The immediate cause of death was an attack of pneumonia, which developed alarming symptoms within the past two days. His condition on Friday night was such that his physicians feared he would not survive the night. He was born in Denmark, and came to America in 1848. He was a member of the board of directors of the San Francisco Call, and head of the Oceanic Steamship Company, was also in attendance at his father's bedside, as were Mrs. Harry Holbrook and Mrs. Alexander Hamilton, the daughters of John D. Spreckels.

Despite his advanced age, Mr. Spreckels had devoted a large share of attention to the various enterprises in which he was interested, and it is less than a month since he appeared before the ways and means committee of the House in Washington as an authority on the subject of sugar duties. Two years ago he was attacked by a severe illness, but his vigorous constitution enabled him to withstand the sickness and he was, after a time, restored to his usual health.

Apart from the importance which attached to Claus Spreckels as the pioneer sugar refiner of the coast, and an investor of millions in California and the Hawaiian Islands, the Spreckels family has for many years been one of the most prominent in the state. John D. Spreckels, his eldest son, has been for years a directing influence in Oriental trade, apart from his father's interests, and Rudolph, president of the First National Bank of this city, has been a supporter of the "graft" prosecution in San Francisco to the extent of thousands of dollars, in addition to his active participation.

### HOTTENTOTS ARE AGAIN ON WARPATH

#### German Soldiers Sent to Pur- sue Raiders Are Shot Down.

Capetown, Dec. 28.—The Hottentots in German Southwest Africa are again on the warpath. They recently raided some cattle posts near the Bechuanaland border and murdered two Europeans. Seven German soldiers were sent in pursuit of the raiders but they were all shot down by the Hottentots. There is great anxiety among the local residents.

## OLD MEN MAKE FINAL APPEAL

### ASK MAGISTRATE JAY TO MAKE THEM VOTERS

#### A Decision Will Be Given in the Case To-morrow Morning.

After listening to arguments on the question of the eligibility of male householders over fifty to vote, so long as the Municipal Elections' act remains, as it is, Police Magistrate Jay reserved his decision until to-morrow morning. City Solicitor Mann was present and thanked his worship for adjourning the matter from Saturday so as to enable the city to be represented. He stated what had taken place at the court of revision and the decision of that body to be guided by Chief Justice Hunter's ruling that the intention of the legislature, as read from the act, was to make the payment of the road tax an indispensable condition of the right to vote. There might be a class, the court of revision recognized, who were exempt from payment of the road tax and yet who should have the franchise, but so long as the act made the payment of the \$2 a sine qua non there was no power to put this class on the list. A curious thing about the tax, which was levied by by-law on all males between 21 and 50, was that it was to be levied "on demand," and as it had not been "demanded" in many cases the court allowed its payment when applicants appeared before it. It was the intention of the council that next year the person taking the declaration shall be one who is entitled to receive a receipt for the road tax and where he finds it has not been paid he will demand it before accepting the application for registration.

"The court of revision has no interest in this matter and the city council befriends the applicants," said Mr. Mann. "There is no doubt that a statute conferring the franchise should have a generous interpretation." Frank Higgins was in court on behalf of the Victoria Ratepayers' Association to see that everything possible was done in the way of presenting the case for the old men.

Joseph Peterson, who has been so active in pressing the rights of the elderly householders, quoted Judge Spinks' reported oral decision in favor of the old men at Kamloops. He argued that the court should look at the equity of the case rather than the strict letter of the law.

In reply to a remark as to having claimed the exemption in former years Mr. Peterson stated that he had once offered to pay the \$2, although he was probably over fifty, and the then collector said: "Not a word. I know it. Why, you might get a vote that way and then the day after election ask for your money back because you are exempt."

Magistrate Jay remarked that it seemed hard these men should be deprived of their votes, many of them residents of the city for many years. He promised a decision to-morrow, after careful consideration of the law. It is one of the ironies of the position of the old men in this case that a man like the late Frank Sylvester, who was among the very oldest of citizens, in point of residence here, should have been one of the 105 excluded from the franchise.

### PASTOR CAPTURES CHURCH BURGLAR

#### Thief Endeavors to Secure Re- lease by Bribe of 50 Cents.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 28.—Rev. C. N. Lathrop, rector of the Church of the Advent, after a desperate struggle on Saturday night captured Albert J. White in the act of ransacking the church. Rev. Lathrop went to the church in the evening at 8 o'clock as is his custom on Saturdays, and upon turning on the lights, discovered a side window broken. Rushing around to the rear door, Rev. Lathrop found White. A struggle ensued in which the minister proved the victor and took his prisoner across the street to a store, where the police were notified. White pleaded with the minister to be released and to never try burglary again, but his pleadings had no effect. Finally, as a last resort, he tried to bribe his captor with 50 cents with which to pay for the broken window.

When searched at the police station a jimmy and other burglar tools were found. The Church of the Advent was entered by burglars once before about ten days ago, when several articles were taken.

### DOES AUSTRALIA WANT HIM?

U. S. Judge, Favorably Inclined Towards Burglar, Exiles Him to Antipodes.  
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 28.—Instead of granting a parole to John Griffin, a young man from Monterey, who fell among evil associates in this city and was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment for burglary, Judge Cook on Saturday exiled him to Australia for half that length of time. Griffin wanted to go to St. Louis, where he said he had friends, but the judge, who was favorably impressed with the young fellow, told him that he preferred to send him where he would be entirely removed from his former associations.



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RICE, Best Japan, 4 lbs for.....25c	CHEESE, Melaren's, per jar 7 lbs for.....50c and 60c
TAPIOCA OR SAGO, 3 lbs.....25c	MAPLE SYRUP, Prime of Canada, quart bottle.....50c
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SOUP, Davies, per can.....10c	TEA, Ram Lai, Pure Blue Label per lb, 25c, or 2 lbs for.....\$1.00
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on the river Elzack. The system employed is that of the electrical wire rope, and the ascent is made at the rate of five feet a second, or five minutes for the whole distance.

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## PROVINCE IS IN PUBLIC EYE

(Continued from page 1.)

In connection with the Agent-General, the Minister of Finance says he is a very busy man. There are, in addition to the inquiries about immigration, visits from lawyers to examine the British Columbia statutes, which are kept on file there. Then there are constant inquiries about mining companies, etc., so that all day long Mr. Turner is kept engaged.

One thing the minister attempted was to have the provincial inscribed stock placed on the list of securities available for investment as trustee funds. In this move, however, he found the time "too portune." To have done it for British Columbia would have necessitated similar action with respect to other provinces. With legislation pending which will call for vast amounts of money on the part of the British government, nothing could be done in that line.

In all cities in the Old Land the minister saw vast crowds of unemployed. There is, he says, a growing impression that there must be tariff reform.

Mrs. Tatlow accompanied her husband. Three weeks were spent in Ireland visiting friends.

### DEATH OF MRS. BAYNTON.

Well Known Resident of This City Passes Away After Long Illness.

The death occurred yesterday at the family residence, 554 Fingard street, of Eliza Ann Yale, the wife of Augustus Joseph Baynton, of this city, after a long illness. The deceased, who was 42 years of age, was born in Victoria. She was well known and had a large circle of friends. In addition to her husband there were two children who survive her. Her mother, Mrs. A. Manson, a sister, Mrs. M. Grant, and a brother, J. Manson, of Dawson, are the other living relatives.

The late Mrs. Baynton was a grand daughter of Mr. Yale, identified with the early history of British Columbia, and after whom the town of Yale, on the Fraser river, was named.

The funeral will leave the residence to-morrow afternoon at 2:30 and proceed to the Ross Bay cemetery. Services will be conducted by Rev. T. W. Gladstone.

### CALLING FOR TENDERS.

Puget Sound Navigation Company Ask Prices on Past Turbine Vessel.

From Seattle has been received the news that the Puget Sound Navigation company is calling for bids for a new vessel which was proposed some time ago.

The new vessel will cost between \$200,000 and \$300,000, and must attain a speed of 20 knots an hour. Her passenger capacity will be in the neighborhood of 1,500 and she will be equipped with turbine engines. The new vessel will be operated along with the other vessels of the company's fleet on Puget Sound, consisting of the Indianapolis, Iroquois and Chippewa.

Already the Moran company of Seattle and the Craig Shipbuilding company of Long Beach, Cal., are figuring on the new craft.

The company evidently intends to be in a position to meet the great demands during the time of the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exhibition.

The sale of tickets for the Cinderella ball at Government House to-night has been tremendous, and all tickets held by private parties have been sold. The public may still secure them, however, either at Hibben's or at Chalmers & Mitchell's.

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## BRITISH STEAMER IS SEIZED AS PRIZE

Vessel Which Ran Down Junk Captured by Chinese Cruisers.

Hongkong, Dec. 28.—The British steamer Tal On, was captured yesterday by two Chinese cruisers near Kun Chuk, west of the river. The reason for the capture is believed to be in the fact that the steamer several months ago ran down a junk and drowned a theatrical company which was on board.

Further developments from the capture are expected.

### "FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE."

Supposed Outbreak Among Children in New York State is Investigated.

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 28.—An expert from the state department of agriculture has been sent to investigate the suspected cases of foot and mouth disease among children in the town of Clarkson, Monroe county, which have been reported to Commissioner Porter, of the state department of health.

Commissioner Pearson, of the agricultural department, said to-day that a number of other suspected cases of the disease among humans had been investigated, but in each instance the patient was found to be suffering from some other ailment. At the state health department it was said that Commissioner Porter was not at his office, and that no action had as yet been taken in the matter.

## RUSSIA WISHES TO SEE REFORMS IN PERSIA

Apparently Has No Designs Tending Towards Military Occupation.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 28.—The charge brought in the Duma on Dec. 25th by Prof. Paul Milukoff, leader of the Constitutional Democrats, that the Russian policy of double dealing in Persia and particularly the behavior of Col. Liakoff, the military governor of Teheran, evidenced preparations for the eventual occupation of Persia by Russian troops, has drawn a response from the officials.

An official communication praises the work of Col. Liakoff and defends his status as a Persian officer entirely subordinate to the Shah, who is alone responsible for his conduct. The communication closes with the statement that Col. Liakoff exerts no influence on the Russian policy in Persia, which consists of the steady encouragement of reforms.

## FIRST OFFICER ONLY, SAVED AFTER SHIPWRECK

Rest of Crew of Steamer Advance Go Down With Vessel.

Newcastle, N. S. W., Dec. 28.—The British steamer Advance and the British barque Iverna were in collision off here to-day. The Advance went down, and with the exception of her first officer all the members of the crew lost their lives. The Iverna put into Newcastle leaking badly.

The Advance mentioned in the foregoing dispatch appears to have been a local vessel of small dimensions.

### MONTANA EARTHQUAKES.

Virginia City Thrown Into Darkness Through Damage to Power Plant.

Butte, Mont., Dec. 28.—A minor dispatch from Virginia City, Mont., last night states that at 4:30 o'clock in the afternoon that section was shaken by the severest of the series of seismic disturbances that have been going on for more than a week. The electric power and light plant was put out of commission. This plant is located ten miles distant from Virginia City and as telephonic communication with it has been interrupted it is impossible at this time to ascertain the extent of the damage done. Virginia City was in darkness last night and much alarm exists.

During the past week, this city has experienced more than thirty earthquakes in which the earth movement was very pronounced. Last Monday two shocks within ten minutes of each other caused the people to rush into the streets panic stricken, caused cracks in several buildings and dislodged considerable plaster.

This afternoon's tremor cracked buildings, threw down plaster and scattered dishes from the shelves and tables.

### PERSONAL.

H. Maddock, secretary and assistant manager of the B. C. Oil Refining Co., is registered at the Empress hotel. Mr. Maddock will be in this city for a few days on business concerning his company.

Miss Amy MacSwain is back from Vancouver, where she spent Christmas with friends.

Miss Whelan returned by yesterday's boat after spending Christmas with relatives in New Westminster.

Angus Galbraith, formerly of this city, who is now in business in Vancouver, is spending a few days here.

The death occurred this morning at the Old Woman's Home, of Mrs. Anne Gray an inmate of the home, at the age of 94 years. She was a native of England. The late Mrs. Gray was formerly Mrs. Parson, after whose husband Parson's bridge was named. She has lived here and in Esquimaux for a very long time and is well known throughout the district.

## SICILY IN GRIP OF EARTHQUAKE

NUMBER OF CASUALTIES; HOUSES SHAKEN DOWN

Tidal Wave Adds Terror to Scene—Damage to Shipping.

Rome, Dec. 28.—Southern Italy was visited by a serious earthquake this morning. The centre of the disturbance was in Sicily and the greatest loss of life and property occurred on this island. The reports are as yet incomplete but the people everywhere were thrown into a condition of panic.

At Caltanissetta, a Sicilian town of 30,000 people, a number of houses were shaken down and the inhabitants fled for safety to the streets. Vast crowds gathered in the parks and the churches are filled. At Mineo, a small town 100 miles southwest of Catania, several houses collapsed and the scenes of panic were repeated.

At Catania the docks and shore front were overwhelmed by a tidal wave that rolled in from the sea. Much damage was done to the shipping. Details are lacking, but it is known that several steamers were damaged. At Catania the shocks lasted for twenty seconds.

At Augusta in the province of Syracuse two churches and several houses were demolished but no lives were lost. The prisoners in the local jail made their escape and dashed through the praying crowds on the streets for liberty. The troops were called and quiet was restored. There were shocks also at Lindusa, Glosa, Santa, Saverina and Noto, all in Sicily.

The latest reports from Calabria say that three death and sixty wounded persons have been removed from the ruins at Ste. Ancon. Soldiers have been called in to carry on the work of succor. The troops have been ordered to tear down the damaged buildings in order to minimize the danger from falling walls. Sixty persons are said to have sustained injuries at San Nofrio and the population is camping out in the open air. The troops everywhere are engaged in the work of rescue.

### Havoc by Tidal Wave.

Catania, Sicily, Dec. 28.—A tidal wave swept into this port to-day, the result of the earthquake disturbances. The people on the waterfront were thrown into an indescribable condition of fear. The approach of the water was seen and sharp cries of warning rang out. The people fled from the docks and the waterfront into the town. Where the sailors could get ashore boats of all kinds were abandoned. The waters came and left confusion and damage in their wake. It is not known yet whether any lives were lost.

A number of fishing boats were swamped and three steamers in port were more or less damaged. The Austrian steamer Budatwa was nearly overwhelmed. Much merchandise piled on the docks was washed away. Brief reports have been received from Palermo, the capital of Sicily. The stocks there lasted 32 seconds. The telegraph and telephone systems were put out of business and railroad communication was interrupted but the submarine cables from Palermo are still working.

## ALL WERE SAVED WHEN SCHOONER SINKS

Gotama Goes Down in Heavy Weather Off Willapa Harbor.

Aberdeen, Dec. 28.—News of the loss of the schooner Gotama ten miles off Willapa harbor early Christmas morning was brought here today by Captain Olsen of the steamer Santa Monica. The Santa Monica rescued the crew of the Gotama when the vessel was drifting ashore with certain death to all on board. With Captain Gruggel of the Gotama is his wife, mate, cook and four seamen.

### PICKING ORANGES.

Early sorts of oranges must be picked in November, and from that time onward the varieties are ripening until April, but there are two or three sorts that will hang on all summer, sweetening every day. The grower, however, expects his shipments to be finished on May first. Oranges and grapefruit, as found in the northern markets, are almost always picked before thoroughly sweetened on the trees, and as a consequence northern buyers rarely find out the delicious flavor of the perfected orange.

The grower goes up and down his grove with shears and bag, and cuts enough of the choicest samples to fill his orders for the day. These are carefully poured into boxes in the packing room, and then placed, one by one, in a sorter; down which the orange rolls until it finds the slide that fits its size, when it moves to one side and drops into its own box. This sorter grades at least ten different sizes. It is a simple machine, but it works perfectly. The grower who knows his own best interests never picks up oranges to ship, nor does he allow a single defective fruit to be brought. This leaves a large amount of oranges which can be sold in the own market, or given away. It has little cash value, and yet it consists of the most delicious fruit in the orchards.—E. P. Powell in the Outing Magazine.



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## WIRELESS PROVED USEFUL DURING STORM

System of Dominion Government Afforded Means of Communication.

The Dominion Wireless stations have proved their worth during the recent storm. With wires down so that outside communication was cut off through that medium the wireless was the only means of communication left to Victoria for two days.

It was reported that the Pachena station was out of order but this was incorrect. All the Dominion government stations are in perfect order and were so throughout the storm, guaranteeing communication with the city in case of any disaster on the west coast.

## LEAPS INTO FIRE TO SAVE COMRADE

Hero of Los Angeles Blaze—Panic Among Hotel Guests.

Los Angeles, Dec. 28.—A fire which caused a loss of \$100,000 and the painful, if not serious, injury to two firemen, occurred yesterday afternoon in the Occidental hotel building on South Hall street, between Fourth and Fifth. An explosion in the basement where the Thayer Decorating company stores a large quantity of paints and oils caused the fire.

Captain A. J. Eley and Hoseman W. A. Burns were the firemen injured and Lieutenant Frank Live of the fire department was the hero of the occasion, leaping into the burning basement and rescuing Captain Eley from certain death at the imminent risk of his own life. Captain Eley was badly burned and bruised and Hoseman Burns was painfully bruised.

About 100 guests were in the hotel at the time the fire started, and the proprietor, George W. Von Ache, did heroic work in warning all of the danger. Five minutes after the fire alarm was given all the guests were out of the building. The contents of the basement and the two lower floors were almost entirely ruined before the fire was interrupted.

### MARRIAGES IN CHINA.

A letter from Peking to a London journal says that one striking feature of the change of administration in China has been the large number of marriages in anticipation of an edict which will forbid marriages among Manchus during the next twenty-seven months. No credence need be given, the writer says, to rumors of unrest in Honan province and Canton province. The man who has gained most honor recently is Yuan Shih-kai, who is a native of the province of Honan, which rejoices at his success. It was he who for the first time in the history of China gave opportunities to the Cantonese, the most progressive men in the empire to Cantonese education abroad. Naturally, the Cantonese are among his most ardent supporters. One subject of present speculation is the hoarded wealth lying unproductive in the palace, amounting to millions sterling. The bullion entrusted during the foreign military occupation of Peking in 1900-1901, first to the protection of General Chaffee, and afterwards to the English general, Sir A. Gaselee, was estimated, approximately, at \$2,000,000. Whatever was the amount of the hoard, it has since considerably increased. Under a more enlightened regency, it is hoped that this treasure may be made reproductive.—New York Evening Post.

### A TRUE SPORT.

Jim Jeffries praised in San Francisco the other day the grizzly that with one punch he slew in the mountains above Los Angeles.

"That bear was a true sport," said he. "He never flinched. He was game to the death. So game, in fact, that he reminded me of a Philadelphia sportsman named Hoskin I used to know."

"Hoskin lay dying in his flat in Cherry street. He sent for a friend and said:

"Here's \$10. Take it, and the day of my funeral use it to treat my pallbearers with."

"The friend, much affected, said as he put the bill in his wallet:

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"Going out," said Hoskin. "I won't be with you coming back."—Washington Star.

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## FEARFUL OF CANADA'S FUTURE.

Canada is growing more rapidly as a producing nation than she is in population. Perhaps that is one reason why the absence of poverty and distress at this season, except in a few comparatively crowded centres, where the unemployed and the unemployable prefer to congregate, is so noticeable. It is pleasing to observe that our absolutely unique position in these respects is receiving due consideration in Great Britain, notwithstanding an occasional letter from a misfit disparaging and condemning this country and advising people to remain at home and to make the most of their existing circumstances. At the same time we protest it is not seemly for the British press to keep continually harping upon the alleged doubtful future, from an Imperial point of view, of this Imperial land. It is unquestionably true that the marvellous progress of Canada has attracted general attention in the United States. The eyes of our neighbors have been opened with a snap. They perceive now that there may be an altogether different purpose in our national future than that of forming a permanent northern frontier for the great republic. But there is nothing in this change of attitude to justify the assumption that either here or in the United States there is a movement looking to the removal of that frontier back to the ice floes of the extreme north. We are not convinced that the increased importance of Canada has moved her neighbors collectively to desire even increased trade between the two countries, except upon terms which might be satisfactory to the one, and which would certainly not be pleasing to the other, unless there may be a sudden and remarkable change in the point of view of both. There is but one way in which the trade relations of the States and Canada can be altered, as far as fiscal arrangements can affect them, Canada has already announced her position. The position of the United States will probably be made clear by the report of the Congressional committee on tariff reform. If that report makes any recommendation to Congress suggesting a reduction of the tariff which is likely to affect Canada beneficially we shall be very much surprised. So that, even if closer commercial relations did portend closer political affiliations tending in the end to annexation, there is evidently absolutely no ground for the alarm for the future of Canada, and coincidentally for the future of the Empire, about which we read with some astonishment and not a little impatience in the leading newspapers of Great Britain. We believe, from what is quite apparent in the political tendencies of this country, that if the Empire is destined to go to pieces, Canada will not be the first to render the Imperial bond asunder.

## OF THE REAL BRITISH TYPE.

Possibly, it is because the average Old Countryman who comes to Canada is too busy making his way, and succeeding, that the "other fellow" is more frequently heard from in the newspapers. One of the former class is occasionally tempted to place his views on paper, and, while naturally cautious about giving advice, he displays little reserve in relating his experiences. A native of Hove, writing to the Home Gazette, is considerably more enthusiastic than the average Englishman is inclined to be. He says his advice is, "come to Canada. It is a splendid country. The people are sociable and hospitable." This Hovite, after many ups and downs, which he admits did him good, drifted west to Vancouver, which he found just a trifle humid in winter, with rain falling continuously for seven days, and still at it. But the summers beat Brighton, so that the wet cloud has a golden lining. "No man need be afraid to come out here if he is willing to work and adapt himself to the ways of the country. As I said, taking the rough with the smooth, he will come out on top at the finish, for there is work in this country, some kind or other, for all who really want it, and who do not want to go home as soon as they cannot get work at their trade, but have to take-up something else. This is what men want to understand; they must adapt themselves to circumstances." This is just what the real man, the fellow with pluck and perseverance, does, and wherever he goes he becomes the backbone of the country fortunate enough to secure his services. Summing up, this manly Hovite says: "As regards the people here, speaking for myself, I have met with nothing but kindness; here they take you for what you are worth, not for what you have been. The only other thing I can say is that if a man will keep away from the drink he will find that this country is worth living in and working in, and that the criticisms of Canada and Canadians are by narrow-minded surface-gazers, who have never gone down beneath the surface, and have no idea of what they are talking or writing about."

The following editorial note clipped from the columns of the Scientific American indicates that Great Britain is still a long way in advance of all the other powers from a naval point of view: "The recent trial of the British battleship Invincible, in which she attained under reduced power a speed of 25 knots, was followed by a full power trial in November, when she steamed at the unprecedented speed of 23 knots on a continuous run of eight hours' duration. This is certainly wonderful going for a ship protected with 7 inches of armor and carrying a battery of eight 12-inch guns. It is 9 knots faster than the speed of any battleship now in commission in our navy, and 2 knots faster than the one-mile trial speed of our swift cruisers like the Salem type. Moreover, it exceeds by 2 knots and 2 1/2 knots respectively the trial speed of the Lusitania and Mauretania, which are to-day the fastest merchant vessels afloat."

The Eastern Canadian winter is no doubt something to regard with pride, or at least complacency. The hard climate unquestionably co-operates with the right kind of blood in producing a fine race of men, as records in every department of human activity demonstrate. Yet it is noticeable that the newspapers of Toronto, for example, "point with evident pride" to the fact that while the temperature has been low and the snow deep in the streets of Montreal southern Ontario has been comparatively free from such visitations. If any part of the East had a climate like Victoria that section would surely be a very popular winter resort.

Slowly, but surely, largely because making the necessary change is a very expensive business, electricity is taking the place of steam in railway operation. Permission has been applied for by the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway to electrify the Harlem River and Portchester Railroad. This line runs through Mott Haven to New Rochelle, where it joins the main line. The fact that this line is to be electrified indicates that it will be used for extensive passenger service, as it would be hardly worth while to change to electricity if freight is to be the principal traffic.

The death of Mr. Frank Sylvester, an old-timer who possessed all the virtues characteristic of the pioneers of Vancouver Island, will be deeply mourned in the city of Victoria, where he was best known in the later years of a highly useful and notably unselfish life. The bereaved family have the sincere sympathy of the community.

Mr. Thomas Burns, in the day of his adversity unquestionably a Canadian, at least made the most of his opportunities, as all Canadians ought to do. Boxing with Mr. Burns was a commercial proposition, and we hope it is true that the former Canadian lacrosse player can look forward to the future with equanimity.

The women of Turkey were so deeply interested in the inauguration of the new parliament that they cast custom, tradition and "Koranic" injunction to

the winds and, "uncovered and unashamed," from windows and roofs viewed the procession headed by the Unspeakable One as it wended its way to historic Stamboul. The ladies of the harem may become Suffragettes in time.

We cannot publish the communication signed "Fair Play." There are some references in it which we believe it would be very "unfair play" to give currency. Our correspondent, however, asks whether it is customary to close an important municipal contract at the last meeting of the council or to make a contract for a term exceeding two years, seeing that the aldermen of Victoria are only elected for a term of one year?

Caylar from Lake Winnipeg is the latest addition to Canada's wonderful resources. The Winnipeg Free Press, as a souvenir of the Christmas season, has sent samples of this article to all its friends in various parts of the world. The white fish of Lake Winnipeg are famous the country over. We do not know how they get the fish or the caviar out in the winter time, but with these northern dwellers nothing is impossible.

This is the season of the year when politics in this part of the world cease from troubling. None in Victoria except those who secretly cherish civic ambitions seem to care a button about what the political future has in store. But wait until the new year has been ushered in after the usual noisy fashion. Then the bee will begin to buzz in real earnest.

It is just seventy-two years to-day since South Australia became a separate colony of the British Empire. Now all Australia is one self-contained Dominion. These are days of great confederations and, almost equally great trusts. The young man of the day has something interesting in prospect.

John D. Rockefeller is a firm believer in co-operation. It eliminates all the waste of destructive competition, he says. The Oil King ought to know. He and his confederates in the Standard Oil have co-operated to their manifest mutual advantage. But they have set an example which will make people outside the trusts put on their thinking caps.

Fine healthy breezes we have had of late, but the winds have a habit of blowing where they list without regard to the effects upon the overhead wires which are such a feature of modern times, and such a necessary convenience to modern city dwellers.

## THE NEWSPAPER GUY.

I see a man pushing his way through the lines—  
Of cops where the work of the "fire fiend" shines.  
"The Chief!" I inquire—but a fireman replies:  
"Oh, no! Why, that's one of those newspaper guys."

I see a man walk through the door of a show.  
Where great throngs are blocked by the sign "R. R. and the police."  
"Is this the man the star that no ticket he buys?"  
"Star nothin'! He's one of those newspaper guys."

I see a man start on the trail of a crook.  
And he scorns the police, but he brings him to book.  
"Sherlock Holmes?" I inquire—some one scornfully cries:  
"Sherlock H—! Naw, he's one of dese newspaper guys."

And some day I'll pass by the great "Gates of Gold."  
And see a man pass through unquestioned and bold.  
"A saint!" I'll ask and old Peter'll reply:  
"No, he carries a pass—he's a newspaper guy."  
—Benjamin Scoville.

"There's no truth in these jokes about summer girls not remembering the fellows they were engaged to."  
"No?"  
"No, I just reminded Miss Ellritchie that we were engaged at the seashore, and she remembered it perfectly."  
—Washington Herald.

Jeweller—Yes, that engagement ring is plated, but it is warranted for ten years.  
Purchaser—Haven't you got anything cheaper, warranted for about ten weeks?  
—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Miss Watson—Did Mr. Sark say to you as I entered the drawing room last night, Clara, "Is that the beautiful Miss Watson?"  
Clara—Yes, dear, with the accent on the "that."—New York Evening Post.

## OLD GENTLEMAN'S REVENGE.

A wealthy old gentleman of Perreux, who last year was made the victim of confidence tricksters, resolved, says the Paris correspondent of the London Morning Leader, to get his revenge. He prepared a purse which on being opened, exploded. Then he went to the St. Lazare station and entered a cafe with two swindlers, who a little later left the place with the old gentleman's purse.

They proceeded to a near-by square and opened the purse, and the explosion which followed caused serious injuries to one of the thieves. The injured man was taken to a police station, and confessed, while the old gentleman who had prepared the trick, followed him and explained how the occurrence had taken place.

## DAMAGED.

Aley—Was Willie's suit-case damaged any by water in the accident?  
Reggie—Yes. Every one of the labels have got soaked off.—From the January Bohemian.

Ralph Smith, M. P., and W. Sloan, M. P., are in the city to-day.

The first military balloon ever used by the British was hired.

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## LOCAL OPTION.

To the Editor:—Permit me to draw your attention to the fact that a great wave of temperance and moral reform is sweeping over our province. From the Rockies to the Coast Islands, municipalities are organized, or being organized, for the purpose of signing petitions to the government asking that a local option bill be passed at the next session of the legislature giving the people the right to say whether they will have the drink in their midst or not. But a law would enable the people to vote yes or no, and would be a fair way of dealing with this question for British Columbia.

We are asking that the majority rule, and the few men engaged in the liquor business are finding good employment in better callings, while millions of dollars are going into the pockets and homes of the business and working men. Thirteen hundred municipalities east of the Rockies are under local option law and are thriving in business in consequence thereof.

Why should the beautiful province of British Columbia be behind Eastern Canada and hidden by the liquor traffic? Of all the Canadian provinces, British Columbia needs this law most. It is a fair proposition and one which must commend itself to every fair minded man.

May I ask, Mr. Editor, for your insertion of this letter and endorsement of the principle of giving the people the right of saying yes or no to the question before the public?

D. SPENCER,  
Supt. Local Option.

Office, Vancouver.

## BROKE JEWELLER'S WINDOW.

Thieves Take Goods From Cases—A Residence Entered.

Early yesterday morning some one with an eye on a couple of handsome silver-mounted toilet sets broke a hole through a corner of one of the windows of A. P. Blyth's jewellery store on Port Street and abstracted the goods.

The hole was not large enough to take the cases through, so the articles were lifted out. The two sets were worth \$6. A strange feature of the case is that other goods within reach, of equal value if not so to appearance, were left alone. Passers-by saw the hole and notified Mr. Blyth and the police.

On the heels of the robbery of \$300 from the safe of the Prince saloon, comes an attempt at a similar robbery from the Palace saloon, Government and Yates streets. When Herbert Adams, the bar tender, entered the bar on Saturday he found a man apparently sleeping on a pile of coats in front of the safe. In answer to the natural question as to what he was doing there the man said he had gone to sleep after drinking the night before and been locked in without anybody noticing him, and that when he woke he took some coats he found hanging up and lay down on them.

Adams was rather suspicious, but as he did not think any robber would have stayed there when he heard the place being opened, he believed the story and told the fellow to get out in a hurry. Later on he found a back window broken, and when he went to open the safe he saw that some one had been working at the combination, as the dial was not in the position in which the proprietor invariably leaves it. There is no doubt that the man was in the act of working at the safe when Adams' entry surprised him, and he worked the bluff which was successful.

A dwelling on Government street north was entered yesterday while the occupants were out and some valuables stolen. The police are working on these cases.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS.

## DOMINION.

J. C. Maier and wife, Prosser, Wash.; Geo. Gartley, Olympia, Wash.; J. T. Johnson, Seattle; J. Foster and wife, Seattle; Homer Swearingen, Seattle; Fountain, Nechaco; Jos. Blakely, Kamloops; W. G. Winmill, Sooke, B.C.; F. Atkinson, Hamilton; C. J. Christie, Vancouver; G. McKay, Ashcroft; J. H. Greer, Vancouver; P. M. Richardson, Vancouver; Samuel Erb, Chemainus; A. L. Erb, Chemainus; J. Royle, Nicola; Paul Petching and wife, Vancouver; Emil Petching and wife, Vancouver; A. A. Sears and wife, Vancouver; A. S. Christie, Vancouver; T. F. Helgesen, Vancouver; J. Percy Clement and wife, Vancouver.

## EMPRESS.

T. A. Skinner, Chicago; G. W. Miller, Seattle; A. B. Palmer, A. E. Smith, H. McDouck, S. D. Stewart, C. T. Law, A. O. P. Francis, Mrs. W. J. Bowser, Miss Bowser, C. D. Rand and wife, C. B. Foster, W. G. McIntosh, Vancouver; J. Jones, Toronto; T. Taylor, Revelstoke; Dr. H. P. Swayne, Seattle; P. Hobson, New York.

## DRIARD.

J. Granger, F. Almond, Ladysmith; J. S. Lawrence, Medicine Hat; W. Eyres, Vancouver; G. Courtney, Sidney; A. Floyd, Campbell River; C. Davies, Seattle; J. S. Simms, Vernon; C. A. B. Stewart and wife, S. R. Meale, Penticton; E. H. Galloway, Port Mellon; D. Donaldson, W. G. McKenzie, New York.

## Women's New Muslin Waists

It is true that it will be some time yet before spring is at hand, yet the first herald has arrived, a new lot of White Muslin Waists. It may seem a little early to buy this sort of thing, but the values are good enough to tempt you to buy now.

<b>WHITE WAISTS</b> , made of fine lawn, the front composed of rows of Valenciennes insertion crossing each other, and row of fine Swiss insertion between, tucks over shoulder and down back, collar of insertion and lace cuffs to match. Price ..... <b>\$1.25</b>	<b>WHITE WAIST</b> , made of fine mull, front has four rows of rich embroidery and fine tucks and three rows of fillet lace insertion, fine tucks down back and row of insertion and tucks the full length of sleeve, collar and cuffs to match. Price ..... <b>\$2.50</b>
<b>WHITE WAIST</b> , made of Swiss spotted muslin, rows of wide Swiss insertion down front, with a row of Valenciennes insertion on each side, fine tucks over shoulders and down back, collar of insertion and lace, with cuffs to match. Price ..... <b>\$2.00</b>	<b>WHITE WAIST</b> made of Persian lawn, yoke of spotted net embroidered, lower part of front made of embroidery and fine Valenciennes insertion, rows of insertion, lace and tucks around sleeves, lace collar and cuffs. Price ..... <b>\$2.50</b>
<b>WHITE WAIST</b> , made of fine soft mull, the front has alternate rows of fine Oriental insertion and fine tucks, the tucks over the shoulders and down collar, collar of fine lace with cuffs to match. Price ..... <b>\$1.25</b>	

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DECEMBER 28

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## Local News

Scales repaired and adjusted. Waites Bros., 641 Fort street.

English Hosiery. Special—Ladies' fine black cashmere hose, ribbed and plain. Special price 25c a pair. Robinson's Cash Store, 642 Yates street.

Heavy bark wood, cut 12 inches for grate and heater. Cameron Lumber Company, Ltd. Phone 910.

To Seattle 25c, S.S. Whatcom daily except Thursday, at 8 p. m.

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The annual Sunday school entertainment of the St. John's church Sunday school will be held on Tuesday evening, Jan. 5th. There will be a Christmas tree and the prizes will be presented by Bishop Perrin.

An interesting lecture was given yesterday at the Sunday afternoon men's meeting at the Y. M. C. A. by A. J. Brace. Mr. Brace spoke at some length on "The Other Wise Man." Mrs. Jesse Longfield was the soloist.

A memorial service, in honor of the late Rev. Dr. Withrow, was held yesterday afternoon by the Metropolitan church. Rev. Mr. Withrow was the editor of the Methodist Sunday School Magazine. Rev. Mr. Holliday and Rev. Mr. Dean spoke on the life of the late editor.

By falling from a step-ladder on Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Armstrong, of Ross Bay, had the misfortune to break her right arm near the shoulder. She was taken to the St. Joseph's hospital, where she was attended to by Dr. George Hall. Her many friends will be glad to hear that she is doing as well as can be expected.

Opening at the New Grand to-day are Petching Bros., in a novel act they call "The Musical Flower Garden." Carson Bros., the Apolos of vaudeville in a splendid act; C. W. Williams, ventriloquist, in a laughable sketch entitled "The Doctor's Busy Day"; Les Theodora, sensational aerialists and acrobats; Thos. J. Price, singing the illustrated song, "It's Only Me in My Nightingale"; new moving pictures entitled "His Only Son," and a new overture by the orchestra.

## TRADES UNION MEETINGS

Barbers ..... 2nd and 4th Monday  
Blacksmiths ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Butchers ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Carpenters ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Cooks ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Cyclists ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Electricians ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Garment Workers ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Laborers ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Leather Workers ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Longshoremen ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Letter Carriers ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Machinists ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Molders ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Musicians ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Painters ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Plumbers ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Printing Pressmen ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Shipwrights ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Steam Fitters ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Stonemasons ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
Street Railway Employees ..... 1st and 2nd Tuesday  
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## NEW YEARS AT Y. M. C. A.

A Busy Day Will Be Spent by Members of the Association.

The Y. M. C. A. will keep an open house on New Year's Day, and friends, ladies and gentlemen, are cordially invited to attend. A long programme has been prepared and it will be started off with the annual road race. This race will be started at 10:30 o'clock in the morning, outside the Y. M. C. A., by Mayor Hall, who has presented a handsome challenge cup for first place, and which will have to be won twice in succession to become the property of anyone. There are about twelve entries for the race and it is expected it will prove interesting to all witnesses.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the symposium exhibitions will be given. Horse vaulting will be led by O. Margison; the parallel bar by C. Blundin; horizontal bar by C. S. Cohen; tumbling by A. Carss, and B. Valo, who will be assisted by the Sproule brothers and the Baker brothers. A wrestling match will be held between O. Margison and C. S. Cohen. Ronald Heater, the association's strong boy, will give an exhibition in weight lifting.

During the afternoon and evening the Ladies' Auxiliary will receive and serve refreshments. The social committee will be on hand to welcome all visitors.

At 8:30 o'clock a good literary programme will be given, when the following will take part: Mrs. W. A. Gleason, elocutist; Miss Nylands, contralto; Miss Bernice Scowcroft, soprano; Mr. Shandley, baritone; Miss Cocker, soprano; Mrs. A. J. Brace, pianist; and A. R. Dobson, accompanist. Capt. McIntosh, chairman of the literary committee, will preside.

The Mason Morrison company, in the beautiful society drama, "Roses and Orange Blossoms"; The Duryelle Sisters, shadowgraphs; "Silent" Talt, burlesque magician; Crane Bros., the "Mudtown Rubes," in the farcical sketch "Mudtown Law," and Jesse Clipper, a singing and dancing comedian, are the list of attractions for Pantages' opening show to-day, and in conjunction with the above big programme the illustrated song, "You Sincere," and an extraordinary comic series of motion pictures on the biograph describing "The Effects of a Shave" completes the big holiday bill.

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7-Avalon road and Phoenix Place.  
8-Victoria Chemical Works.  
9-Vancouver and Rutledge Sts.  
10-Douglas and Humboldt Sts.  
11-Humboldt and Rupert Sts.  
12-Cook and Fairfield road.  
13-Yates and Broad Sts.  
14-Port and Government Sts.  
15-Yates and Government Sts.  
16-Victoria Theatre, Douglas St.  
17-Headquarters Fire Dept., Cormorant St.  
18-Spencer's Arcade.  
19-View and Quadra Sts.  
20-Port and Government Sts.  
21-Cook and Yates Sts.  
22-St. Charles St. and Rockland Ave.  
23-Cadboro Bay road and Stanley Ave.  
24-Cadboro Bay road and Oak Bay Ave.  
25-Cadboro Bay and Richmond roads.  
26-North Pembroke and Shakespeare Sts.  
27-Quadra and Pandora Sts.  
28-Chatham and Blanchard Sts.  
29-Johnson and Cook Sts.  
30-Spring Ridge.  
31-North Chatham St. and Stanley Ave.  
32-Douglas and Discovery Sts.  
33-Governor and Pender Sts.  
34-Kingsway and Second St.  
35-Fountain, Douglas St. and Hillside.  
36-Oaklands Fire Hall.  
37-Cormorant and Store Sts.  
38-Discovery and Store Sts.  
39-John and Bridge Sts.  
40-Craigflower road.  
41-Esquamalt road and Mary St.  
42-Douglas St. and Burnside road.  
43-Esquamalt road and Russell St.  
44-Sayward's Mill.  
45-Burnside road and Delta St.

## MAY VOTE ON AIDING TOURIST ASSOCIATION

Ald. Henderson Proposes to Submit Question to People.

The ratepayers of Victoria will have an opportunity at the coming municipal elections to express their opinion on the work of the Tourist Association. Whether or not a grant of \$7,500 will be made to the association to carry on its splendid work will be made a subject of referendum, if a resolution of which Ald. Henderson has given notice is adopted at to-night's council meeting.

The figure named is that which was given the association last year. This year the grant was cut down to \$4,000, owing to shortage of funds, in spite of strong efforts to have it kept at last year's figure. It is recognized by the business men and citizens generally that in order to prevent the full benefit of the past expenditure being lost it is necessary to continue the work of publicity. There are special reasons why there should be no relaxation of effort next year. The Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition will attract thousands of people to the Sound and every effort should be made to bring them on to see Victoria. Then in addition to this Victoria is likely to be visited early in the summer by large numbers of people drawn to this coast by the sale of Prince Rupert townsite lots, and before then it will be desirable to place the advantages of this city and of the inland generally. The Tourist Association has the machinery for doing the work, and the business interests of the city have impressed upon the council the necessity for assisting it by a generous grant, not only this year but for some time to come.

The council has arranged for the financing of the association until the end of January and proposes to let the ratepayers say what shall be done as to an annual grant.

## SETTLERS TAKE UP

NECHACO HOLDINGS

Wagon Road Wanted to Reduce Heavy Transportation Rates.

James Fountain, engaged in the timber business at Nechaco, who has been located in the district since March last, arrived at the Dominion hotel for the winter yesterday. He brings news that the district is fast settling up in view of the Grand Trunk Pacific passing through the northern country. The summer months, says Mr. Fountain, saw large numbers of land settlers and speculators go in, many of whom took up land and are staying on it through the winter, while others came out last month to obtain supplies and return in the spring. The absolute necessity of a wagon road for the settlers to haul their freight over the Quensel is mentioned by Mr. Fountain. He says the road has been stopped owing to weather and that a sleigh road is now being broken through, which will be widened in the spring into the required wagon road. The settlers, without the road, are at a big disadvantage, the cost of hauling supplies being ten cents per mile from Quensel and fourteen cents from Ashcroft. This rate will be largely reduced when the wagon road is completed. The Nechaco country, Mr. Fountain says, contains some fine farming land, and the whole of the district for miles through which the G. T. P. surveys pass will, with transportation, be settled up very rapidly and provide valuable and profitable investment for hundreds of settlers.

Speaking of the Ingenika diggings, Mr. Fountain said, from reports heard by him many prospectors had come out this winter to obtain supplies for future operations, being well satisfied with their claims. Nothing very big, however, had been heard of the Ingenika district in the way of large discoveries, and those in there considered individual parties working their own claims. Some, however, had been reported as not successful in their prospects and had come out for good. He had heard, the reports of the lost men, Matthew Trimmison and Harry Phipps, whose camp had been discovered by Indians, and says the general belief through the country remains unaltered that the missing men have either been lost in the woods or drowned in the river.

## WEATHER BULLETIN

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, Dec. 28—5 a. m.—A storm area developed last night on the Vancouver Island coast and warnings were displayed here and at Nanaimo; weather conditions continue very unsettled owing to the passage of low areas from the ocean through British Columbia and the middle west states. The rainfall has been excessively heavy west of the Rockies. In the prairie provinces it is becoming colder with fair weather in Alberta and Saskatchewan, but with snowfall in Manitoba.

## Forecasts

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Tuesday. Victoria and vicinity—Fair, southerly and westerly winds; unsettled and colder, with rain or sleet.

Lower Mainland—Moderate or fresh southwesterly winds, unsettled and colder, with rain or snow.

## Reports

Victoria—Barometer, 29.7; temperature, 43; minimum, 43; wind, 24 miles S. W.; rain, 55; weather, clear.  
New Westminster—Barometer, 29.7; temperature, 42; minimum, 38; wind, 8 miles S. W.; rain, 32; weather, clear.  
Kamloops—Barometer, 29.4; temperature, 36; minimum, 26; wind, 14 miles N. E.; weather, clear.  
Barkerville—Barometer, 29.4; temperature, 34; minimum, 24; wind, 4 miles W.; snow, 30; weather, snow.  
San Francisco—Barometer, 30.2; temperature, 40; minimum, 35; wind, 6 miles N. E.; weather, cloudy.  
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## SOCIAL EVENTS

Miss Johnston, of Victoria, is the guest of friends in Vancouver.

J. H. Greer, of Vancouver, the well known shipping man, is in Victoria.

Miss Francis Lawson, of Revelstoke, is the guest of Mrs. Raymur, Kingston street.

Col. Holmes, D. O. C., returned from a short visit to the Terminal city on Saturday.

Miss Dallas of Vancouver, is a guest at the Rocabella, and will remain for several days.

Chief Justice and Mrs. Hunter were house guests at Christmas of Mrs. J. T. Phelan, Vancouver.

Miss Gordon, of New Westminster, is spending the holiday season with her parents, 1044 Burdette avenue.

Miss Nellie Newcombe, of Toronto, is spending the holiday season with her father, Dr. Newcombe, Dallas road.

Arthur T. Graham, a member of the Northern Trust Company, left yesterday morning en route for his home in Winnipeg after a pleasant two weeks' visit with friends here.

Mrs. White, of the Balmoral, entertained a number of young people who live in the hotel and vicinity on Saturday afternoon, the entertainment taking the pleasant form of a Christmas tree laden with suitable presents.

There will be a big influx of visitors from points along the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway to attend the Victoria Musical Society's concert to-morrow evening. The opportunity of hearing two great artists on one evening is very rare in Victoria, and the greatest interest is being taken in this event both in the city and out of it.

Mrs. James Dunsmuir, Mrs. Plummer, Mrs. Trewartha, Mrs. D. E. Campbell and Miss Walker will occupy their usual boxes, and the students' boxes will be occupied by the pupils of Mrs. Moreau and Miss A. Saunders.

The Ciderella dance at Government House to-night promises to be a very charming affair. The doors will be opened at 7.30, and the whole front of the building will be placed at the disposal of the guests. The reception committee, consisting of Miss Marion Fell, Mrs. C. G. Wilson, Mrs. Edgar McKinnon, Miss Muriel Dunsmuir, the Daughters of Pitt, and Mrs. Hasell, Mrs. C. W. Rhodes and Mrs. Simpson will be present to receive the children and other visitors. Members of the committee will be readily distinguished by their Red Cross badges. Visitors will have ample opportunity of viewing the children's dances from the long galleries around the ball room, and the slight will be a very pretty one. The Daughters of Pitt hope that large numbers will attend this dance and help them out in the work they have undertaken, namely, the maintenance of the children's ward at the Jubilee hospital.

## HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

When boiling a pudding in a cloth, a plate should be placed at the bottom of the saucepan, so as to prevent the pudding from sticking to the pan.

Before putting fruit into a cake warm it and flour well, and do not stir the cake much after the fruit has been added, otherwise it will sink to the bottom.

Use all small, undeveloped or green potatoes in soups or hash, for the undeveloped potato will not cook well, and it often has a very flat flavor. When boiled they make good frying potatoes, though it is almost impossible to cream them or make them palatable unless mixed with other vegetables or cooked with meat.

If one portion of a vegetable is cooked in pure water, the other half in salted water, a decided difference is perceptible in the tenderness of the two. Those boiled in pure water are vastly inferior and in many cases will be almost tasteless. Salt brings out the delicate flavor of cauliflower, cabbage, potatoes, peas, beans and practically all vegetables. Onions cooked in water without salt can be rendered almost tasteless. As salt increases the temperature of boiling water, its cooking advantage is at once apparent. Salt in cold water is used to drive insects from vegetables growing above ground.

For the roast of cold lamb courses serve an egg salad sprinkled with minced mint leaves.

When all the other changes have been rung on the salad repertory make cream cheese into balls, roll them in powdered nut meats and serve them with mayonnaise on lettuce leaves. Mayonnaise seasoned with chili sauce gives a variation for fish and meat salads.

"THE CHORUS LADY"  
IS A STRIKING PLAY

Miss Stahl Appears To-night  
With an Excellent  
Company.

It was inevitable that an engaging and important personage, as the chorus girl of the contemporary stage should receive the sympathetic and careful attention of some playwright, and the task fell upon James Forbes, who has faithfully presented her in his play, "The Chorus Lady," in which Miss Stahl will appear at the Victoria Theatre to-night. The play is personally guaranteed by C. Denham, manager of the theatre, who pronounces it one of the best productions to be seen here this season.

Mr. Forbes, the author, has struck a new note, one which while entirely original in its conception shows a phase of life that is characteristic, vivid and real. His Patricia O'Brien, is a type known to all for a generation, but one which remained for Mr. Forbes to define and portray. While he made his play for laughs, and in that succeeded far beyond his fondest hopes, he did not forget the moral that might be taught through such a character.

Immediately previous to her present appearance at the head of her own company under the managerial guidance of Henry B. Harris, Miss Stahl had won at the Palace theatre in London, a reputation of the success she had been presenting for three years, Mr. Forbes' one act comedy of stage life, "The Chorus Lady."

Miss Stahl was educated in a Montreal convent, and on her graduation found her way to the stage. A novitiate in road productions was followed by a three years' engagement as leading woman at the Girard avenue theatre in Philadelphia. Afterwards she filled similar positions in resident companies in several western cities. Then came starring tours of which the most ambitious was in "Janice Meredith," in which she succeeded Mary Manning.

Although Miss Stahl had always been identified with emotional roles, it was in Mr. Forbes' twenty minute vaudeville sketch that she demonstrated her resources of artistic equipment. It was the popular favor which greeted her inimitable characterization of Patricia O'Brien, the typical chorus girl of to-day, and a figure new to contemporary drama that led Mr. Forbes to place the character in a new environment and to make her the central figure of a four act play.

## FLORENCE ROBERTS.

Popular Actress Will Be in Victoria  
This Week.

Florence Roberts, always a favorite here, in the most suitable role she has played and surrounded by the most competent support has yet enjoyed in several western cities. The theatre goes of this city, Miss Roberts will appear at the Victoria Theatre on Thursday night as Joan in Seymour Obermeier's play, "The House of Bondage," which comes heralded by words of praise. Miss Roberts is said to have appeared in no previous role that so suited her exceptional and varied abilities.

The piece is of English authorship and locale, but hits a theme of universal interest, while abounding throughout in dialogue and absorbing situations. The names of Arthur Forester, Thurlow Bergen, Kent Bosworth, Harry Gibbs, Ann Warrington and Mary Bertrand appear in the supporting cast. Under the direction of John Cort, the usual attractive Roberts' production is furnished.

## THE HANDS IN ORDER.

After a siege of dish washing or scrubbing, the wrinkled appearance of fingers may be improved by dipping them into vinegar, says Harper's Bazaar. It is very foolish economy to use strong alkali soaps any more than is absolutely necessary. If it must be done, the hands should be treated afterward with cold cream or glycerine and rose water and covered thickly at night with cold cream and a pair of large gloves. If an odor is left on the hands after dish washing or preparing vegetables, it may be destroyed by dipping the hands into mustard water. Stains caused by picking over berries or paring vegetables may be removed immediately by holding the partly closed hand over a burning sulphur match. Other stains may be removed with lemon juice and salt or with pumice stone. It is wise to rub the fingers smooth, after sewing, with a bit of pumice before the little pricks have time to absorb dust and stains.

## TREATMENT FOR A COLD.

When a child is in the very earliest stage of a cold, the first thing that suggests itself is to warm him as soon as possible. This is best done (though not always convenient or necessary) by undressing him and putting him to bed, with hot bottle to his feet, hot mustard footbath and hot drinks. The advantage of putting to bed, if even for a few hours, is that the whole body can thus be kept at the same temperature, and the circulation through the skin and great inward organs which has been disturbed may equalize itself again. Letting the child lie around on bouncers or play on the draughty floors will not secure this end. The returning warmth of the skin, the appearance of a slight warm perspiration, and the increasing comfort of the child will prove that bed was needed. If the feet have been wetted they should be bathed and rubbed with a soft towel till they glow. It is often true that "out of bed, nothing will cure; in bed, the simplest things will cure."

## DEATH OF SIR JOHN BAIRD.

The death of Admiral Sir John Baird, K. C. B., took place recently at Wootton, Isle of Wight, at the age of 78. The deceased served in the Baltic during the Crimean war, was Commander-in-Chief in the Pacific 1884-5, Admiral Superintendent of Naval Reserves 1885-6, and Commander of the Channel Squadron from 1886 to 1888. He retired in 1887. The cause of death was pneumonia, from which he had been suffering for nearly a fortnight. He was a member of the Royal Yacht Squadron, and was brother to Sir David Baird, Bart.

GOODSON-HARTMANN  
CONCERT TO-MORROW

Victoria Musical Society Affords Opportunity to Hear Great Artists.

To-morrow evening Victorians will have the opportunity of hearing two great artists in concert, Katharine Goodson, the celebrated English pianist, who is acknowledged to lead all women performers on that instrument, and Arthur Hartmann, the world famous violinist, Victoria is the one place to have the two great artists appear together. Both are now in the city, and after the concert here to-morrow night will separate, each appearing at various points on the continent.

Through the enterprise of the Victoria Musical Society the two great musicians appear together here. The theatre will undoubtedly be crowded to-morrow night to hear them. The musical society has through its enterprise made it possible for several years past for Victorians to hear musicians who, had it not been for the existence of such an organization which was willing to ensure the high guarantees demanded, would not have visited Victoria.

Alfred Caislin, pianist, will be accompanist for Mr. Hartmann.

The programme for to-morrow night is as follows:

Sonata, Op. 47 ("Kreutzer").....Beethoven  
Adagio Sostenuto.....Presti.  
Andante Con Variazioni.  
Finale—Presto.

Katharine Goodson and Arthur Hartmann.  
Prelude, D Flat, No. 9.....Chopin  
Etude, G Flat, Op. 25, No. 9.....Chopin  
Two Valses—G Flat, Op. 70.....Chopin  
A Flat, Op. 42.....Liszt

Rhapsodie, No. 12.....Katharine Goodson.  
Intermission.

Farfalla.....Sauret  
Cradle Song.....MacDowell-Hartmann  
Zephyr.....Hubay

Sonata, Op. 45.....Greig  
Allegro Molto ed Appassionato.  
Allegretto Espressivo Alla Romanza.  
Allegro Animato.  
Katharine Goodson and Arthur Hartmann.

## TIMELY RECIPES

**Cheese Pudding.**—Dry one cupful of bread crumbs in the oven, then soak them in one cup of milk. Beat lightly three eggs, and add the milk and crumbs; grate in one-half pound of cheese, season well with cayenne and salt, beat in four into a buttered pan and bake for thirty minutes in a hot oven. Serve immediately.

**Welsh Rabbit.**—Put slices of dry wheat bread on a hot plate and keep warm. Take one pound of cheese, which should not be very soft nor brittle; cut the rind off and break the cheese into pieces the size of walnuts. Then butter a pan over a hot fire. A teaspoonful of butter is enough, for more than that makes the dish too rich. The cheese is then put in, stirred, and when it is melted, three large tablespoons of milk are added. This is stirred until it is melted and well blended; when it bubbles up one teaspoonful of Worcestershire sauce is poured over the toast. It is better to let each person apply salt for her own palate. Amateur cooks often wonder why the rabbit become stringy. The reason is that the cheese is too fresh and soft. This is why care should be taken to test it very well before using.

**Oyster Stew.**—Put on the stove in a double boiler as much milk as you will need, and let it heat. Drain the oysters and wash them; strain the juice; season the milk with salt and a little pepper when it steams well, and drop in the oysters and juice; cover and let them cook without boiling, till the edges curl, and take up the whole at once. In making this stew the milk does not boil at all, but is fresh and delicious. To thicken this have ready two tablespoonsful of evenly rolled, fine cracker crumbs, and stir these in when you take it up. If you have thin cream, use half of this with half the amount of milk.

**Scalloped Oysters.**—Drain the oysters and wash them; strain the juice and measure it and take an equal quantity of milk; mix the two. Roll some crackers evenly fine; butter a large shallow baking dish, and put in a layer of crumbs, one of oysters, a sprinkling of salt, pepper, and bits of butter; lightly cover with a little of the juice and milk; repeat till the dish is full, with crumbs and butter last. Pour on all the milk that is left, being sure all the crumbs are moistened; if there is not enough of that mixed with the juice, add more. Cover the dish and bake twenty minutes; then take off the cover and bake again till brown.

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# Ocean and Coastwise Shipping

Movements of Local Vessels—Trade Expansion in B. C. Waters—  
Cleanings of Interest From the Seven Seas.

## PRINCESS CHARLOTTE EXPECTED TO-MORROW

New C. P. R. Top-liner Not  
Been Reported Since  
Leaving Callao.

It is probable that to-morrow the fine new C. P. R. ferry steamer, Princess Charlotte, may arrive here. The arrival of this steamer has been looked forward to with a great amount of interest since she left the Clyde in command of Captain Troop on November 2nd. She has made stops at different coaling points along the route and all the reports received seem to indicate that she is carrying herself splendidly. On her way north she is steaming at the rate of about thirteen knots so she may be looked for almost any time. Nothing has been heard of her since she left Callao.

While the new steamer is coming over already finished she cannot present a very gay appearance when she arrives for her long trip will have probably given her a somewhat weather-beaten appearance. As soon as the Amur comes off the ways the Princess Charlotte will take her place and will be thoroughly overhauled before going into service. In any event her engines and boilers would need attention after such a long run.

### WORLD'S LARGEST DOCK.

A large party of commercial men and representatives of public bodies recently visited the site of the new ocean dock and harbor which is proposed to erect in Wembury bay, about four miles from Plymouth, England. Huge breakwaters are to be constructed enclosing an area of 1,000 acres, which, it is claimed, will be the largest dock in the world. Inside this basin is to be built an inner harbor covering 355 acres, where a series of wharfs and piers will be constructed for the accommodation of the largest vessels afloat.

There will be over seven miles of quay space, and a 3,300 foot pier for landing passengers and mails. Large graving docks are contemplated. It is understood the admiralty have had this scheme under consideration some months, and that they look with favor upon it. It is not expected that the railway companies will offer opposition. The estimated cost is about \$10,000,000, and while it is thought five years will be required to finish the undertaking, a portion of the harbor is expected to be available in three years from the time a commencement is made.

### MAKES FAST TRIP.

Only Four Days From San Francisco to Tacoma by Schooner Olson.

Five days from the wharf at San Francisco to her anchorage in Commencement bay, Tacoma, establishes a new record for the trim four-masted schooner Oliver J. Olson. It has not been equalled along this coast since the little old schooner Glendale ran up from the Bay City to Tacoma in six days. It is well known steamer time, and more than one freighter has done worse. Local shipyard men not recall a wind-jammer which has done much better.

Oliver J. Olson is a product of Grays Harbor shipyards, having been built at Aberdeen in 1900, and is one of the well known Olson & Mahony fleet. She is 175 feet long by 35.6 feet beam and 20 feet depth of hold and registers 506 net tons. She has more than one smart sailing record to her credit during the eight years of her career, but none better than that accomplished the past week. The schooner reached Tacoma in less than four days, and it took the rest of the time to pass the Straits and reach Tacoma.

British ship Arranmore, recently chartered to load lumber at Tacoma, is leaving Esquimalt for that port to-day.

## EDISON RECORDS FOR JANUARY

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### STEAMER TO PORT GEORGE.

Upper Fraser and Nechaco to Be Navigated by Light Draft Vessel.

The framework of a new sternwheeler is being shipped from Vancouver to Quesnel, where it will be set up and the boat completed. The new craft will have a load draft of only 22 inches and this, it is thought, will enable it to navigate many of the reaches of the Upper Fraser and Nechaco rivers which are at present inaccessible. It is the intention to extend the present run, which goes only to Soda Creek, as far up the Fraser as Port George, a distance of 100 miles from Soda Creek, and thence along the Nechaco river. The new service will mean quicker and cheaper transportation for that part of the country. The new steamer is expected to be ready for operation about May 1st. The building of the G. T. P. is making it necessary to have the means of transportation to reach the Nechaco. The steamer is intended to meet the demand.

### BLUE FUNNEL LINER

ARRIVED YESTERDAY

Titan Has 1,700 Tons of General Cargo for This Port.

After a stormy trip across the Pacific from Yokohama the big Blue Funnel liner Titan arrived in port yesterday morning in command of Captain Day. The steamer landed 25 Chinese at this port and also brought a large quantity of freight, some 1,700 tons in all, but this will be unloaded when she returns from Tacoma. The bulk of the Oriental shipments of silk has now been landed on this side of the Pacific, but the Titan had a number of bales which she took on to Tacoma. The total cargo carried by this steamer amounted to about 5,000 tons. The Titan left the Clyde on October 25th, passed through the Suez canal on the 26th of the same month and made Singapore on November 23rd. Her next important port of call was Hongkong, where she arrived on December 2nd, keeping her schedule time exactly to the day at almost every place. This exactness in the matter of time is one of the secrets of the success of the line which the Titan represents.

### MATE SUSPENDED.

William Ansell Held Responsible for Grounding Steamer Northland in Active Pass.

Local United States Inspectors Whitney and Turner announced on Saturday that they had suspended for ninety days the license of Mate William C. Ansell, who is held responsible for the recent grounding of the steamer Northland. The suspension dated from December 23rd.

The Northland, which runs out of Seattle to Ketchikan, Juneau and other South-eastern Alaska ports, was south-bound when she grounded on Easter Island reef, off Mayne Island, on the morning of November 27th. The inspectors preferred charges against Mate Ansell, who was on watch, and investigated the case on December 18th. They find that he was guilty of careless navigation. The steamer was repaired at the Moran yards for the contract price of \$5,000, and has since resumed her run. Ansell held a license as chief mate of ocean steamers.

### MARINE NOTES

Steamer Empress of Japan arrived at Yokohama on Friday, Dec. 25th, at 5:30 p. m.

The sugar steamer Eliza arrived in the Straits this morning and passed on to Vancouver to unload her cargo.

Princess May left at noon for Lady-smith, where she will coal. She then proceeds to Vancouver before going north to-morrow night.

A cable from Yokohama advises the sailing of the steamship Kaga Maru from that port on the 23rd inst. with 192 tons measurement and nine passengers for this port. She is due to arrive January 7th.

During the recent heavy winds the bell buoy on Gossip Island, near Active Pass, is reported to have gone adrift. The local department of marine is sending the steamer Quads around to try to recover the buoy, failing which a can buoy will be put in its place.

Johnny Lyle, the popular purser of the steamer Whatcom, has returned to his old position after a month's holiday. A report having gone around that he had left the service of the International Company, patrons of the Whatcom will be pleased to hear that the rumor was not true.

### TIDE TABLE

Date.	Time High	Time Low	Time High	Time Low
Dec. 28	10:27	5:13	10:07	5:24
29	10:38	5:02	10:18	5:13
30	10:49	4:51	10:29	5:02
31	11:00	4:40	10:40	4:51
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2	11:22	4:18	11:02	4:29
3	11:33	4:07	11:13	4:18
4	11:44	3:56	11:24	4:07
5	11:55	3:45	11:35	3:56
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7	12:17	3:23	11:57	3:34
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18	14:18	1:22	13:58	1:33
19	14:29	1:11	14:09	1:22
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21	14:51	0:49	14:31	1:00
22	15:02	0:38	14:42	0:49
23	15:13	0:27	14:53	0:38
24	15:24	0:16	15:04	0:27
25	15:35	0:05	15:15	0:16
26	15:46	11:54	15:26	0:05
27	15:57	11:43	15:37	11:54
28	16:08	11:32	15:48	11:43
29	16:19	11:21	15:59	11:32
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The time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th Meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours from midnight to midnight. The figures for height are in feet above the average level of the low water in each month of the year. The figures for low water are in feet below the average level of the low water in each month of the year. The figures for high water are in feet above the average level of the high water in each month of the year.

### THRILLING TRIP ON

SKEENA RIVER STEAMER

Chieftain Arrives at Prince Rupert With Boiler Almost Empty.

(Special Correspondence.)

Prince Rupert, Dec. 26.—Unconscious of the awful danger to which they were every moment subjected, and ignorant of the fact that under their very feet was an instrument of death that might hurl them into eternity without a second's notice, and more to be feared than all this, the passengers of the Skeena river steamer Chieftain, who arrived at Prince Rupert on Tuesday afternoon, enjoyed the trip as usual on Tuesday afternoon. No water in the glass—nothing but dry steam in the lowest steam cock, and the gauge registering one hundred and sixty pounds pressure—such were the startling conditions on the steamer when she arrived here with between twenty-five and thirty passengers on board. That the powerful tug with her living cargo was not blown to pieces seems due entirely to the fact that her boiler, which was practically a brand new one, only installed last May, was in perfect condition.

The Chieftain, owned by Cunningham & Son, has been operating a passenger service between Prince Rupert and Skeena River for some months, and is licensed to carry forty passengers. Before leaving Port Eslington on Tuesday, a change of engineers had been made and a new one engaged. After being out several hours and not making her usual time, Captain McLennan sent the mate below to find out what was the trouble. He returned with the startling word that there was no water in the boiler. Rushing to the engine room and finding only dry steam in the lowest steam cock, the captain immediately raised the fire from under the boiler and prevented what would undoubtedly have proved a calamity. It is alleged the pump had not worked since leaving Port Eslington, and an investigation here showed there was but little water in the boiler. The crew had been badly burned and every tube leaking.

Men are now at work repairing the damage done to the boiler, but it will be several days before the steamer will be in a condition to resume her daily trips.

### NOTICE TO MARINERS.

Position Given of Beacons Leading Into North Arm Fraser River.

A late notice to mariners says: The positions of the lighted beacons leading into North arm, Fraser river, were incorrectly given in Notice to Mariners No. 29 (73) of 1905, and consequently the positions of lights and beacons are not correct on admiralty chart No. 1222.

The outside or more westerly lighted beacon is on the outer edge of the flats of Sturgeon bank, about 5 cables E. S. degrees E. from Point No. 1. At the light the front of Point Grey is in line with the west extremity of Eagle Island. Leading eastward from this light there are three beacons formed of clusters of piles, and then the more easterly light building, standing west from the point on which Musquam Indian church is built. Inside this light are two more pile beacons. There are no buoys as shown on the admiralty chart.

### WRECKAGE REPORTED

NEAR CARMANAH

Part of Ship's Rail Has Come Ashore With Letters on it.

While there has been no definite news of any wrecks on this coast as the result of the big gales which have been raging during the past few days, there is evidence on the west coast of Vancouver Island to show that at least one vessel may have succumbed to the high winds and seas. The government telegraph wires along the coast are down, as is also the telephone wire from Gonzales Hill to the city, but word has been received from the wireless station that wreckage has been picked up about two miles west of Carmanah, the principle part of which is a ship's rail painted black and white with the letters S. J. D. 519 painted on the forward part. The weather there is still bad, and there is no shipping in sight.

There are not so far as can be ascertained, any well known craft missing and certainly nothing answering the description given of the wreckage on the coast. The fishing schooner Ida May, from Seattle, which was run down by the Princess Victoria early in the autumn, is considerably overdue, and much anxiety is being felt for her, but it is hardly thought that the wreckage could have been hers.

### VERY HEAVY SWELL.

Umatilla Escaped the Big Wind but Was Rolled Around by Sea.

With only 25 passengers and a small cargo of mixed goods the Umatilla arrived from San Francisco on Saturday night, oddly enough she had a very fine trip, hardly any wind being experienced. There was, however, a very heavy swell off the Cape, the heaviest the captain said, that he had ever experienced without any wind blowing at the time. The steamer arrived in good time, quite contrary to expectations. Among the passengers who departed here were: E. Saunders, Miss M. Ross and Miss E. Anderson.

### PROVIDED FOR.

"The rooms are too small," protested the lady who was looking at a flat. "Why, there isn't space enough in them to swing a cat!" replied the agent. "But we only permit cat-swinging in the basement."

## HAYTI'S STORY OF PERPETUAL BLOODSHED

Black-red Republic Where Child Sacrifice and Cannibalism Are Practised.

An almost uninterrupted series of miserable revolts and massacres has devastated during the last century the beautiful island (now called Hispaniola), of which the Republic of Hayti forms the western and Santo Domingo the eastern portion. In March last the world was startled by the news that seven prominent citizens of Port au Prince had been dragged from their beds one morning and summarily shot on a charge of conspiracy. But that was a procedure which has distinguished Haytian politics ever since the island proclaimed its independence in 1804. It has been by turns an empire and a republic, one ruler succeeding another through revolution, assassination, expulsion and other forms of violence.

Nord Alexis was the twentieth president since the proclamation of independence, and came to power in his 32nd year in 1902 by taking advantage of a revolt against the government which he was defending in the capacity of commander-in-chief. He suppressed the revolt, but put himself in the chair of President Firmin, who had to retire after having himself ruled for a few months by favor of a revolution. The island, which at one time, when it belonged to the French, was in an exceedingly flourishing condition, has been reduced by these incessant revolts to a very sorry plight. The population is but 1,500,000 on an area which is about the size of Ireland. The mental and moral level of the inhabitants is exceedingly low, and it is almost certain that serpent worship—the so-called Vaudoux—is extensively practiced, with its hideous rites of child sacrifice and cannibalism.

On several occasions European gov-

ernments have had to take energetic measures for the defence of the life and property of their subjects. The most recent case was the sinking of a Haytian gunboat, with the Haytian Admiral Killick on board, in September, 1903, by the German cruiser Panther for piracy, and another in 1905, when a German subject Luder was imprisoned without trial, and German warships gave eight hours notice with which to release the man. On the last occasion, mentioned above, of the summary execution of seven alleged conspirators the British admiralty sent to Port au Prince the armored cruiser Cressy, 12,000 tons, and another warship of a smaller size.

The British colony in Hayti numbers about 2,000, and is by far the most numerous of the foreigners. There are also French, Germans and Americans. The French Catholic clergy alone number about 500. The native population is, of course, composed of negroes, who originally came from Africa after the Spaniards in the sixteenth century massacred the entire autochthonous Indian population of three millions. The island was discovered by Columbus in December, 1492, and was seized by French buccaniers in 1630. The Haytian negroes have produced one great man of genius, Toussaint l'Ouverture, who was recognized by the directory as commander-in-chief of the island, and who established in 1807 the neighboring Dominican Republic.

### REAL MARRIAGE ON STAGE.

Crowded House Witnesses Ceremony in Majestic Theatre, Toronto.

For the first time in Canada there was presented at the Majestic theatre, Toronto, a few evenings ago, a genuine stage wedding. The theatre was crowded. Red tissue wedding bells decorated the auditorium.

The ceremony was performed between the acts in "Uncle Tom's Cabin," in which the groom, Waldo Frank Koehler, takes the role of St. Clair, and occurred after the death of little Eva. His home is in Medina, N. Y. The bride, Miss Edith Emily Breve, is an attractive Brockville young lady, and their friendship has existed for some years.

After a few words of explanation from James Cowan, the house manager, to the strains of the wedding march the curtain arose on a woodland scene, with the wedding party standing beneath an arch of white satin, from which stretched rows of wedding bells and ribbons. As they stood in the w- to glare of the calcium light they formed a picturesque group, somewhat reminiscent of mimic ceremonies heretofore presented on the same stage.

The bride was prettily costumed in white, her assistant, Miss Downie, in pink, and each had a shower bouquet of roses, as did little Eva, Miss Edna Stead, the pretty flower girl. Rev. J. M. Wilkinson, esteemed as "the actors' chaplain," first made some explanations. He did not believe in sensational weddings and once while in the western states had declined to perform a ceremony in a shop window. But the actors' home was on the stage and in this instance he believed, he was but doing his duty in accordance to the request made on him. As a regular member of the Methodist Episcopal Conference, he used that form of ceremony. He supposed that there might be some who would criticize, but it didn't matter. No theatre in the city was more appropriate, as the Majestic is frequently used for religious Sunday services.

The large audience listened intently as the solemn words began to be spoken. When it came to the groom's "I will," the clergyman laughingly remonstrated that "the fellows up there" in the balcony couldn't hear it. The young lady's response was quick and clear by heart, and Mr. Wilkinson complimented her accordingly.

"You will notice that I omitted the 'obey,'" he said a minute or so later. "I didn't believe in asking the woman to make a vow that is not required of the man," whereas there was some applause.

The ladies were somewhat amused when it was discovered that the bride had forgotten the necessity of omitting to have her right hand ungloved. "Don't tear the glove; there's no hurry," cautioned Mr. Wilkinson, as the bridesmaid vigorously devoted herself to remedying the matter.

The concluding portions of the ritual were accurately observed. Then, pronounced man and wife, the proud husband literally clasped the bride to his bosom and hugged and kissed her rapturously. The best man, the bridesmaid and the flower girl also had their reward, but the minister was discretely deaf to an admonition from the audience to "kiss the bride yourself."

The parents and sister of the bride saw the ceremony performed from the wings. After the performance the happy couple were banqueted in the private travelling cars of the company. Among the wedding gifts were a silver service from the members of the company, a china set from the theatre management and a purse of gold from the proprietor of the company.

### SAYINGS OF NAPOLEON.

As the First Consul Saw Himself—His Obliter Dicta.

Le Malin of Paris is printing some hitherto unpublished obiter dicta of Napoleon I., contained in the literary remains of Count Roederer which have been collected into book form by the Librarian of the Bibliotheque Nationale. The count was a high official of the council of state both during the consulate of Bonaparte and after he was proclaimed Emperor Napoleon I. Whenever and wherever he had an audience of his master, the count, on returning home at once wrote down word for word, as far as he could remember, what Napoleon said to him. Among his remarks are the following, in which he painted himself better than he knew:

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## News From Four Corners of B. C.

Interesting Happenings Gleaned From All Sources in the Province.

### DR. W. J. MCGUIGAN OF VANCOUVER DEAD

Was Mayor of Terminal City Four Years Ago.

Vancouver, Dec. 26.—Dr. William Joseph McGuigan, city coroner, died yesterday in St. Paul's hospital at the age of 55.

Dr. McGuigan was born on August 17, 1853, in the township of Easthope, Ontario, within a couple of miles of the town of Stratford. After spending the usual number of years on the "farm," he afterwards attended the county school, where he received the usual country school education. Later he attended the Stratford Collegiate Institute, taking the qualifying certificate for teacher's work, and returned to the neighborhood of his early home days to teach the young idea how to shoot.

He continued in this course for three years, after which he went to McGill University in Montreal and studied medicine graduating with high honors at the end of five years in 1879. After his graduation he practiced his profession in Detroit, Mich., for a period and at the conclusion of that term removed to London, Ont., where he still carried on his profession.

In 1885, at the solicitation of his brother, Dr. McGuigan, for many years city clerk of Vancouver and now alderman for Ward 3, he came to British Columbia and was employed as medical superintendent for the C. P. R. on construction work within the limits of the province.

After the completion of the C. P. R., Dr. McGuigan came to Vancouver and entered upon a career of professional and civic activity which has made his name as one of the pioneers of the city. He was accompanied here by his brother, Ald. T. F. McGuigan, and J. J. Blake, at one time city solicitor. He was appointed the first coroner for the then town of Vancouver, a commission which he held continuously since.

Dr. McGuigan was an alderman in the city council for a continuous period of seven years, after which he became mayor, and occupied the chief magistracy of the city in 1904.

Deceased was a member of the Board of the Medical Association for British Columbia, and its treasurer for 20 years. He went to San Francisco in 1904 to confer with the medical authorities of that city on the best methods for the exclusion of the

bubonic plague from Pacific coast cities. His fatal illness which terminated in his death yesterday morning seized him last July, since which time he has been incapacitated and has required constant attendance.

STRUCK RICH ORE.  
Outlook Improves on Amalgamated Properties in Phoenix Camp.

Phoenix, Dec. 26.—A short time ago it was announced that on the Phoenix Amalgamated properties in this camp adjoining the Granby mine and owned by the Consolidated Mining & Smelting Co., cross cutting the ledge had demonstrated the existence of a very large ore body and some interesting figures were given showing what might be looked for in future development. Superintendent Bissel now says that a better grade of ore has been found than hitherto was supposed possible under known conditions here and the indications are that not only will the property have a very large ore body to work on but the ore is likely to still further increase in value and generally be of a higher grade than was looked for. The further development of the Phoenix Amalgamated will be watched with interest by all mining men.

SURVEY PARTIES ACTIVE.  
C. P. R. Officials Satisfied With Work on Alberni Extension.

Alberni, Dec. 26.—Chief Engineer Cambie, of the C. P. R., and Division Engineer Bainbridge, of the E. & N., recently made an inspection trip over the line of the Alberni extension. They paid particular attention to the mountain section where location is being revised, and found most satisfactory results.

The survey parties, engaged under the direction of C. Hoard, on the work of revising location on the mountain section of the Alberni extension of the E. & N. railway, are making most satisfactory progress. The camp, east of the summit has been moved down to Cameron lake, and the camp on this side moved to Cowley's ranch. At the present rate of progress the line should be ready for the graders before the 1st of February.

"CHAMPAGNE" DEFINED.

"Champagne" henceforward will, according to a decision of the French council of state, be a name applicable only to the wine made in the department of the Marne and the districts of Chateau-Thierry and Soissons.

This will prevent the "doctoring" of many foreign wines in order to make them resemble real champagne.

### INDIAN KILLED IN TERMINAL CITY

Two Men Are Held by Police in Connection With Crime.

Vancouver, Dec. 27.—The body of an unknown Indian, found yesterday morning in a lane between Powell and Alexander streets, in the East End, told the story of an apparent murder committed on Christmas night. There was the mark of a wound from a club across the forehead, and in the cabin of two longhorns named John Hooper and John E. Jones, near by, was found a blood-stained axe handle. Hooper is now under arrest on the charge of murder, while Jones is also being held as a material witness.

It was about 3:45 yesterday morning that both Hooper and Jones came to the police station. Jones acted as spokesman, and said that the body of an Indian, apparently dead, was lying in the lane near the cabin where they lived. Constable Hood went out with them to the lane. Jones led the way, and Hooper, who was following behind, disappeared. Constable Hood found the Indian to be quite dead, and an ugly wound in the head seemed to betoken foul play. A coat was thrown over the body, and the boots were still comparatively clean and dry, so that it appeared as if the body had been carried out from somewhere.

Constable Hood placed Jones under arrest, and took him back to the police station. The detectives, and Constable Hood, then instituted a search for Hooper, and about 8:40 Hood discovered him in "Cabin No. 4," 664 Alexander street. A blood-stained axe-handle was found on the floor.

Hooper refused to make any statement one way or the other. The general opinion is that the deed was the result of a drunken row on Christmas night.

VANCOUVER PIONEER DEAD.

Vancouver, Dec. 27.—Henry Hyde, one of Vancouver's pioneers, who passed away yesterday morning, aged 46 years. He was born in Hertfordshire, England, and came to Vancouver in 1866, the year of the fire. He was well known in the city and had been in the employ of the C. P. R. for thirteen years. A father, aged 84 years, a wife, two daughters, and one brother, who resides in Brecon, South Wales, are left to survive him.

### WILL COLLECT ORE FOR SEATTLE FAIR

Dominion Officials to Assist in Preparing Provincial Exhibit.

Nelson, Dec. 26.—As the result of correspondence in connection with the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition between the secretary of the board of trade and R. W. Brock, acting director of the geological survey department at Ottawa, it has been decided that Mr. Broadbent, collector for the national mineral museum, shall act as collector of the specimens of minerals and ores which are to be sent from British Columbia to Seattle for the exposition in the spring.

Mr. Broadbent will travel round as many mines as possible, and select the finest specimens which are to be obtained. Mr. Brock suggests that mine managers be notified as to what kind of exhibits will be required so that they may have their best materials ready for Mr. Broadbent's visit. The board of trade is preparing the necessary information as to what mines should be represented and how and when it will be most convenient for the collector for the national museum to visit them.

From some of the more distant mines it will be necessary for the specimens to be sent to a central point as, although it will be impossible for Mr. Broadbent to personally visit the mines yet it is felt that no opportunity should be allowed to pass of sending the very best collection to Seattle that British Columbia can produce. Mr. Broadbent will begin work as soon as the geological department has been informed that the preliminary arrangements are made.

HERRING FISHING.

New Regulations For Nanaimo Harbor Go Into Effect.

Nanaimo, Dec. 26.—On Thursday afternoon the committee which was appointed at the mass meeting last Sunday of the fishermen operating in the harbor, met Ralph Smith, M. P., and Inspector Taylor, and laid the various matters before them urged by the meeting.

The committee, which was composed of Messrs. Captain Geo. Skinner, Capt. Ramsey, McLennan, Farrar and McRae, were quite successful. As a result of the meeting the following new regulations pertaining to the herring industry in Nanaimo will go into effect immediately.

A close season will be in effect on pines in the harbor from 5 o'clock in the evening until 7:30 in the morning. Also that fishing be closed on Saturday from 9 a. m. until Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

All purse seines will be stopped in the harbor immediately and gear will be confiscated if caught. The world burns 1,500,000 gallons of oil a day.

### MISSION HOUSE DESTROYED BY FIRE

Inmates of Home at Port Simpson Escape Uninjured.

(Special Correspondence of the Times). Prince Rupert, Dec. 26.—The old Methodist mission house at Port Simpson was destroyed by fire at an early hour on Monday morning, and with it was destroyed what was recognized as the finest collection of Indian curios to be seen anywhere on the Coast, one room of the house being given up for that purpose. The origin of the fire is unknown, but it is supposed to have been started by rats gnawing at matches in the attic, a part of the building that was but little used. The whole of the upstairs portion of the house was on fire before it was taken out in safety. Rev. Mr. Riley, in charge of the mission, and Mrs. Riley, lost all of their clothing except what they stood in and their belongings. The ladies of Port Simpson are now busy sewing to recuperate their lost and supply them with the necessary clothing for the children.

SATISFACTORY SHOWING.

Work of Opening Up 1,500 Foot Level in Le Roi Mine in Progress.

Roseland, Dec. 26.—The Le Roi is doing more development at present than for several months past. The chute on the 1,500-foot level has been developed in such a satisfactory manner that it has been determined to develop it at depth. The task of opening it up on the 1,750-foot level is now in progress, where it is anticipated that it will be found to be equally as strong as on the 1,500-foot level. In the Centre Star, at the same level, some large and rich ore chutes have been uncovered, and it is probable that like results will be reached in the Le Roi. If ore chutes are found below the 1,500-foot level the Le Roi shaft will have to be deepened, as it at present only extends down to the 1,500-foot level.

KAMLOOPS LICENSE BY-LAW.

Saloons Are Permitted to Maintain Card Rooms.

Kamloops, Dec. 26.—Ald. Taylor's liquor licence by-law which proposed certain changes in the local regulations, has been adopted by the city council, but not until it had been considerably modified and amended.

Through the new by-law it will be necessary for licensees to renew their applications yearly. The proposal to prohibit drunken persons from remaining on the premises

was defeated, as it was generally felt that to evict men in the cold when in a drunken state might lead to serious results.

Saloons will be permitted to maintain a card room and dice throwing will also be permissible.

The by-law originally applied to billiard rooms and restaurants, but all clauses relating to these two institutions were eliminated.

One provision of the by-law is that no female shall be allowed to go into saloons or bar rooms. A clause providing that "any female being supplied with drink or drinking will be deemed a customer" was struck out.

OUTPUT OF MINES.  
Shipments From Southeastern British Columbia During Past Week.

Nelson, Dec. 26.—The following are the week's ore shipments and for the year to date in tons:

Boundary.	Week.	Year.
Granby	25,012	1,031,671
Mother Lode	11,225	294,593
Snowshoe	4,012	42,902
Oro Denoro	720	36,756
Other mines	22,620	
Total	59,589	1,407,167

Roseland.

	Week.	Year.
Centre Star	3,217	178,800
Le Roi	859	76,200
Le Roi No. Two	295	28,600

Slogan-Kootenai.

Total .....	4,622	292,1
Slocan-Kootenay.		
	Week.	Year

SMELTER RECEIPTS.

Queen (milled) .....	270	2.3
Koofenay Belle (milled) .....	270	2.3
Second Relief (milled) .....	145	3.3
Whitewater (milled) .....	700	29.9
Nugget (milled) .....	110	9
Blue Bell (milled) .....	900	20.6
Whitewater .....	41	1

FARMER MURDERED.

Body Thrown in Front of Train—Search for Murderers.

Vancouver, Dec. 25.—The police are scouring the district near Whonnock, thirty miles up the Canadian Pacific railway line from Vancouver, for the murderers of Odin Lee, a young farmer of that place. The murder, according to police theories, occurred

Thursday night. Lee and two other men were traversing the Canadian Pacific tracks and quarrelling. All carried bottles. As the Vancouver-bound train came along from Seattle, his companions struck Lee with a bottle and threw him in front of the train and he was ground to pieces. His comrades immediately fled. Several hours later pieces of his body were found on the track. An examination of the train when it arrived in Vancouver disclosed a section of the dead man's neck on the truck of the locomotive.

LADYSMITH HAS  
STORMY CHRISTMAS DAY

Number of Boats Swept From Moorings—Launch Wrecked.

(Special Correspondence.)

Ladysmith, Dec. 26.—Christmas day was ushered in at Ladysmith with one of the worst rainstorms of the season. Rain came down in torrents during the night and by 9 o'clock a hurricane was raging. A tree crashed through the fence of the football field, while other sections were blown over. On the waterfront everything that was not very securely tied up was blown into the bay. Derelict boats were seen drifting up the harbor and across the bay, and Harrap's bathhouse was blown away. It was impossible to tow the structure back again, so it was beached opposite the green a mile and a half away from its mooring. A gasoline launch belonging to Mr. Kubin broke from its moorings and drifted across the bay. The boat grounded on the island and pounded against the rocks till she sank. The launch, all found, was worth \$1,500. Little damage was done in the town. Some windows were broken, the Canadian Bank of Commerce suffering in this respect. The merchants all declare themselves satisfied with the Christmas trade. There was a big rush in the evenings of the last two days. Sunday sees the last issue of the Ladysmith Standard. Commenced in October of 1907, the Standard has run for over fourteen months and is now to be superseded by the Ladysmith Chronicle.

Theodore Bernard, who has for years driven the delivery wagon of the Union Brewery Company, while unloading some kegs at the depot on Thursday night, was seized with a paralytic stroke. The ambulance was at once summoned and Mr. Bernard was conveyed to his home. The stroke was accompanied by hemorrhage on the brain and he is not expected to recover.

John McKenney met with an unfortunate accident last night. While going along the Esplanade in the dark he tripped over a step and his arm was broken just above the wrist.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Caburn of Nanaimo spent Christmas day with Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Frost.



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April	8.67	8.75	8.67	8.71-72
May	8.67	8.75	8.67	8.71-72
June	8.67	8.75	8.67	8.71-72
July	8.67	8.75	8.67	8.71-72
Aug.	8.67	8.75	8.67	8.71-72
Sept.	8.67	8.75	8.67	8.71-72
Oct.	8.67	8.75	8.67	8.71-72
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Cariboo Camp M.C.	61	62
Diamond Coal & L.	14	14
Diamond Vale C. & L.	14	14
Granby	7.50	7.50
International Coal & Coke	74	74
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Nabe	2	2
O. K. Consolidated	1	1
Oom Paul	4	4
Panhandle Smelter	38	38
Rex	7	7
Snowstorm	210	211
Stewart	60	60
Tamarrack	75	75
Wonder	21	21
International Coal	74	74
Rainier Coal	114	114
Kendall	60	110

### IRELAND'S VOLUME OF TRADE.

Irish produce has made a striking display at the Islington cattle show in London. The exhibit was in the hands of the department of agriculture, and visitors have been agreeably surprised at its variety and excellence. The Prince of Wales left the show smoking Cork grown tobacco. The country's rapid progress was told in placards. In two years, from 1904 to 1906, Ireland's total imports and exports grew from £12,000,000 to £12,000,000. This volume of trade, in relation to the population makes Ireland rank fourth in the list of civilized nations. Holland, Belgium, and Switzerland are the only countries that exceed Ireland in this respect. The export of eggs went up by £200,000, which is a record. The oatmeal industry has been developed on American lines. Poultry, from 1904 to 1907 went up by £200,000. Live stock exports now exceed £12,000,000, and bacon, ham, pork, and lard increased by over a million sterling.

E. B. Sewell has announced his intention of being a candidate for the position of councillor in the South Saanich municipality, where he has resided for nearly twenty years, and in the prosperity of which he has always taken a deep interest. Mr. Sewell is superintendent of the sales department in P. McQuade's ship chandlery store, having held that position with great success for the past nineteen years. He lives on Tolmie avenue. Mr. Sewell's business experience would eminently fit him for the position of councillor where the finances of the community are handled.

Hon. F. J. Fulton, Hon. W. J. Bowser and Hon. Wm. Taylor returned to the city last night. Mr. Taylor will not move his family from Revelstoke until the winter is over.

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He walked up to the Government street window of G. D. Christie's boot store, at the corner of Johnson street, early Saturday evening and threw a big stone at it. A hole eighteen or twenty inches across was smashed through the lower part of the pane, with huge cracks radiating in every direction. To Constable McLennan, who was on hand the moment he heard the crash, the young fellow said he wished to be taken in charge. Needless to say his wish would have been equally gratified if it had been unspoken.

Parr appeared before Police Magistrate Jay this morning, charged with wilfully smashing a window, the property of Pemberton & Son, and worth \$45. He showed the effect of recent illness and was very nervous. In appearance he was well-dressed and respectable looking, and there is no doubt he smashed the window to be jailed, and so avoid having to go back to his ship. "I broke the window," he stammered in reply to the magistrate's questions. "I have been ill-treated on the ship Avamoor. I signed on her in Australia and went from there to Mexico and on here. On the voyage up I was very ill and was dragged out of my berth when I could hardly stand. When I was brought ashore here to the Marine hospital an officer told me if I came back he would break my neck. She is in Esquimalt now waiting to be chartered. I only came out of the hospital on Saturday, and was too frightened to go back to the ship. I had no where to go and no cash, and I thought if I was sent up he would be forced to pay me off. I wish to get across to the States where I can get work at my trade of horse-breaking. It is my first time at sea and I would not have come away only I quarrelled with the old people at home."

A fine of \$20 or one month was imposed, and Parr elected to do the time.

**TURKEY WINNERS.**  
Christmas bowling at the Elite alleys resulted in H. Aaronson winning the turkey awarded for the five-pin match with an average of 6-3 for three successive games.

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# "The Statue"

By Eden Phillpotts and Arnold Bennett

CHAPTER XIX. (Continued.)

Millcent entered the lift. Norah banged the grille, touched the button again, and the lift leaped upward towards the mystery of the statue. Millcent, carried off as much by Norah's sudden fit of madness as by the lift, resigned herself, and told herself that she must remain as calm as might be. The sensation of being swift off her feet by the insensate caprice of a high-spirited but unsagacious girl—like Norah—was a novel one for the strong-willed and deliberate Millcent. Before she could wonder what they were going to encounter at the top, and how they were going to encounter it, the lift came to a rest with a jerk. Norah opened the grille and emerged from the lift into the anteroom of the great chamber of the statue. The door of the chamber was slightly ajar, and through the aperture came the radiance which Millcent had observed from the bottom of the lift-well.

And now it was Norah who hung back. She stood with one hand on the grille, in such a position that Millcent could not get out. There was just light enough for Millcent to see that the girl's eyes were blinking rapidly and her breast heaving. It was as though Norah feared, in the supreme moment itself, to put her faith to the test and go boldly into the chamber.

"Let me come out," Millcent whispered.

Norah moved aside, and Millcent quitted the lift.

Then neither of them moved nor spoke. There was no sound, no murmur of life, from the chamber whose secrets the door screened.

"Who is there?"

It was Millcent's clear voice, loud and firm, that broke the silence.

"Answer, no breath, no stir."

"Who is there?" Millcent demanded again.

No reply. Only a disconcerting, uncanny silence.

"I am going in," said Millcent, with decision.

And she pushed open the door with a hand that was courageous but trembling, and entered the great chamber.

And Norah was at her shoulder.

The great chamber was empty. The ornate cluster of electric lamps in the centre of the ceiling burned steadily among reflecting crystals, emphasizing the solitude. The chairs stood as Norah had last seen them in the hour of her parting from Maurice; nothing seemed to be changed. But on the banquet table, on the very corner of it which Maurice had said must have been taken up by the obese Sibthorpe, lay a little red book open.

The eyes of the two girls wandered round the walls to find the hiding-place of the being who had mounted into the statue, illuminated it, and then vanished. But there was no shelter for the shadow of a ghost. Every detail of the room stood plainly revealed under the dazzling beams of the electric cluster, and nothing could be more sure than that it held no possible place of concealment, no cupboard, no screen, no other door. Millcent stepped back into the anteroom and opened the door of the service-room to the left, and the service-room was equally empty.

"There is no one," said she to Norah, in the great chamber. "It is absolutely certain that there is no one here." They gazed at each other, made fearful by they knew not what. They were alone in the height of the statue, high above the em-tops; they were alone; yet someone had preceded them and lit the interior, and faded into nothingness.

"What's that book?" Millcent asked.

She advanced to the table and cast an eye on the book. It was a little notebook and contained nothing but letters and figures, arranged in an incomprehensible way, in a handwriting with which Millcent was not familiar. Norah burst into sobs.

"No," she murmured, "he is not here. I thought I thought—"

She could not finish. The voice of her disappointment overcame her, and she might have fallen if Millcent had not seized her in her arms. All that impassioned energy, that flying seal which had carried her to the statue, was spent and gone.

"We will go down again, dearest," said Millcent soothingly.

And they went down, and this time it was Millcent who manipulated the lift.

And as they emerged into the night air they encountered Emile, who had been vainly trying to force open the door of the statue.

"Oh, Emile!" Millcent exclaimed lamely.

"I came as quickly as I could," said the young man, in a tone which Millcent had never heard from his lips before. "I could not leave Lady Mary instantly. No one knew where you were. I sent everywhere for you. At last I came here."

"We've been up in the statue," said Millcent.

"I perceive it," Emile retorted grimly. "And then—"

"There is no one in the statue. But the lights are burning."

"I will go up myself."

He pushed past them almost rudely; Millcent made as if to follow him.

"Please stay here," he commanded, glaring angrily at her.

Millcent obeyed.

In a quarter of an hour Emile re-descended.

"You said the lights were burning," he began.

"They were burning when we went up, and I left them burning."

"There were no lights burning when I went up," said Emile.

"Did you bring down the little red book?" Millcent asked him.

"What little red book?"

"A notebook that was lying on the corner of the table."

"Are you sure?"

"Yes, we saw it lying on the table. There were a lot of figures written in it."

He turned on the lights and I then

"Your mother had gone to bed," he answered.

"Nor Norah!"

"I am your slave," he said.

But Millcent suspected that, though one of them was indeed the slave of the other, it was not he. And she was glad, she was glad that she had surrendered, like a slave, to the fierce and masterly cruelty of his arms.

"What's that book?" he asked.

"The little red book," said Millcent, and in particular, recounting himself to the noiseless use of the lift in the dark. And at night with a revolver in his pocket, he went forth after dinner, and ascended himself under the table in the great chamber. He had entered without a sound. He waited, never moving. He waited several hours, and his senses, though excited to the utmost delicacy of perception, were cognizant of no phenomenon of any kind. And then, just after the stable-clock had boomed eleven, he became aware that some living thing was in the chamber, that he was not alone there, that something stirred and crept. And he braced himself. And then suddenly there was a bright light; the chamber had been lit up. He saw the legs of a man from his ambush under the table. He sprang forth. At the same instant the light was extinguished, and there was not only complete darkness but complete silence. Boldly he struck a match, and peered about. The room was absolutely empty. Moreover, the door, the sole means of egress, which he had purposely closed, was still closed, and he was sure that nobody could have opened and shut the door rapidly without making a sound.

He was entirely at a loss. He could not even invent a theory to account for the amazing experience. He went to the electric switch, and turned it, but the illumination did not follow. The current was no longer active.

When he regained the house he discovered that the house was lighted by a few sparse candles, hurriedly collected by the servants. The electric current had failed in the house also! Millcent had already summoned the manager of the electric light plant—the expert who had been engaged to succeed the vanished German—and this personage arrived a few moments after Emile. He was desolated. He was full of rage. But he was obliged to admit that his resources of current had been exhausted. He gave all the details of his calculations, including the exact number of kilowatts which the house used in a month, and asserted that that evening at eight o'clock the dials in his engine-room showed a reserve which would have kept the house going for three days at least. He was convinced that if every light in the house and grounds and stables and lodges and statue had been kept burning all day, and all the lights had been incessantly moving, his available reserve could not possibly have been exhausted.

Asked to explain, he said simply that there must be a leak. He said that he had once or twice before suspected a leak.

But he got his engines to work speedily, and after quite a short delay, the current was resumed and the candles dispensed with.

This singular accident monopolized the attention of The Hundreds for a long time. It even got itself into the Dunstable Herald. The world at large, however, had other and even more impressive matters upon which to reflect. For soon afterwards—England was startled even to the central Peak of Derbyshire by the news that the Sultan of Morocco had accepted a loan through the intermediary of France, the German loan having failed. The war-cloud evaporated and the Don-castile government fell with a loud crash.

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DRIVER OF WAGON

HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Cause Thought to Be Due to Hunters Shooting Insulators.

Through coming into contact with a heavily charged sagging electric transmission wire on the Burnside road shortly after 7 o'clock Saturday night, three horses, belonging to William Mair, rancher, on the Burnside road, and driven by Alexander Kennedy, were instantly killed in harness. Two dogs, running alongside the wagon at the time of the accident, were at first thought to have suffered the same fate as the horses, but an examination fails to show their bodies in the vicinity and it is thought by the owner that they took flight at the flash and ran away. They have not been seen since the accident.

Algeron Kennedy, the driver of the farm wagon to which the horses were harnessed, was driving into town and was about to cross beneath the railroad bridge on the Burnside road near the junction of Goldstream road when there was a sudden flash and the horses dropped dead in their tracks without a struggle, having caught the wire on their shoulders. Mr. Kennedy narrowly escaped death owing to the wire not being a few inches higher, in which case it would have missed the horses and caught him across the body. He reports there was suddenly a blinding flash in the dark, a sizzling of fire when the three horses dropped to the ground.

The driver left the wagon and made an investigation. Guessing the cause of the accident he left matters as they stood, and returned to Parson's bridge for assistance. The police were notified and G. M. Tripp, electrical engineer of the B. C. Electric Railway Company, made acquainted with the facts. He hurried to the scene in an automobile, found the wire still hanging and notified the power house at Goldstream, whereon the power was shut off. Nothing could be done in the darkness to repair the defect and two men were stationed at the point to notify travelers of the obstruction. The accident also resulted in the lights of the city being shut off for about half an hour.

The officials of the company, in placing the cause of the wire dropping from the pole, think the accident is due to the carelessness of sportsmen who have given the company's employees a lot of trouble this shooting season. They complain that men with guns have been in the habit of taking pot shots at the insulators along the path of the transmission wire. Many of these have been broken from this cause and the linemen of the company have been kept busy replacing them with new insulators. It is thought that one may have been cracked by this means and the storm the breakage was completed, with the result that the wire burnt itself loose from the pin and fell. The company has had private detectives out watching the lines and trying to locate the persons who are responsible for the damage to the company's property. A determined effort says Mr. Goward has been made to catch the persons who he is liable to heavy punishment under the criminal code. These, if discovered, will be severely dealt with as the danger to which people are liable through contact with live wires is death. The detectives, however, had been unable to fix the blame definitely on any one person up to the present.

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## THE FISHERMEN OF PARIS.

What is it that fascinates them?

From my window I have watched for hours at a time, but never as yet have I seen a single fish drawn from the water.

At first, I took these placid creatures for philosophers who came to the river's bank to let their thoughts drift along with their lines in the current.

But on closer examination I discovered that they were not philosophers (perhaps it is an art) in the measured movements, attentive eyes, and rigid features of these dauntless sportsmen, who watch for a bite much as a wild beast lies in wait for his prey.

One day, when pressed for time I accepted one of them, asking if he were aware how soon the next boat passed.

From the way in which he turned toward me and uttered "shh!" I understood what strange and boundless passion guides these tranquil Parisian fishermen.

Wet or dry, when the frost is white on the window panes, or when the asphalt melts under foot, risking pneumonia and sunstrokes, I see them every day of my life, men and sometimes women, hanging over the walls or gathered along the banks.

Our old concierge, who, from her lodge in our house, saw the Siege of Paris and the Commune in 1870, told me that when the Hotel de Ville was aflame, and shot fell thick and fast along the quays, four or five of these intrepid anglers continued their occupation, baiting their lines and patiently waiting for the fish to bite, as though nothing were the matter. From the Hotel de St. Louis, by Frances Wilson Howard.

"Cloud shooting" in Europe.

"Cloud-shooting" is becoming a regular form of artillery practice in many European countries, the object of this atmospheric gunnery being to disperse threatened hostilities. The most recent form of gun is a funnel-shaped barrel of iron with a broad muzzle, so that the discharge shall be distributed over as large a space as possible. The effect of the discharge is to create a small but powerful whirlwind, which, it is found, disperses clouds that would otherwise descend in hail. So strong is the gust of wind sent upward that it sometimes kills or disables birds flying at great height overhead.

When the sun is pouring down its rays upon the ocean at noonday none of them penetrate to depths of over 200 feet. Could a diver descend to that depth and would find himself surrounded in darkness as profound as though he were immersed in a sea of ink.

## COUNTRIES AND THEIR CAPITALS

LONDON TOO BIG.

By Sydney Brooks in the London Chronicle.

Australia, after four years' discussion and canvassing, has at last decided on a site for the capital of the Commonwealth. Perhaps no one in this country ever heard of Yass or Canberra, and Australians are not likely to be stirred by the clumsy compound of Yass-Canberra. The government, having discovered a capital, will now have to find a suitable name for it. The next question is:

What is to be the capital of the United South Africa of the future? That is one of the problems that the national convention now sitting at Capetown will tackle, and, if it is wise, will find some means of shelving. The delegates from the Cape will not listen to any other site but Capetown. The delegates from the Transvaal are equally insistent on Pretoria. Between them the struggle lies; and when both combatants are exhausted and a deadlock has been reached the delegates from the Orange River Colony look forward to putting in a persuasive word on behalf of Bloemfontein.

## Rivalry of States.

When a number of separate states, each more or less equal in population, wealth and importance, and revolving around no common and dominant centre, agree to form a single political whole, they usually find the question of a capital one of the most crucial and contentious that they are called upon to solve. Germany escaped the problem because of the overwhelming strength of Prussia and the admitted supremacy of Berlin. When Italy became united the delegates from the Transvaal and Cape Colony and the refusal of either Capetown or Pretoria to yield to the other are acting in South Africa's.

In Australia the jealousies of the states, and especially of the big cities like Sydney and Melbourne, have acted precisely as the rivalry between the Transvaal and Cape Colony and the refusal of either Capetown or Pretoria to yield to the other are acting in South Africa's. History is repeating itself with curious carelessness. The passions and rivalries that have been stirring Australia for the past six years and that are stirring South Africa to-day are the same passions and rivalries that moved Americans to fix the seat of the federal government on a stretch of marshy woodland, far away from the real life of the nation. Then, as now, every state was willing that the capital should be erected within its own, but not within its neighbor's boundaries. Then, as now, every city and village was prepared to be the capital itself, but would not countenance for a moment the claims of any rival.

Let no one think it is a small matter, even in these days of rapid travelling, where a nation fixes its capital. The size, position, character and influence of the metropolis profoundly affect the development of its hinterland. One never thinks of France without also thinking of Paris, and England would be immensely improved, if London were a tenth of its present bulk. London and Washington, indeed, may stand as extreme examples of two types of capitals, and it is exceedingly interesting to note that the new nations that are lifting themselves up in South Africa and Australia follow the American and not the English lead.

## Ascendancy of London.

I do not say they are wrong. London is far too big for England. It leaves a toll on English life that distinctly lowers the national vitality. It more than compensates for its size by its influence. It turns the provinces into little more than a sprawling suburb. It sets the fashions, rules the markets and passes the authoritative word of praise or condemnation on every form of artistic endeavor for the whole of Great Britain. The healthy pride of particularism withers in its unbragging shade. It is the centre of society, the seat of royalty, the headquarters of finance, the home of the national legislature, the court of judgment on drama, letters, music and art, and an irresistible magnet for every kind of ambition and distinction.

To one department of thought and activity, it is true, its calm absolutism does not extend. London is no politician. Birmingham and Manchester have each in turn set the country ablaze, but London originates nothing and discounts everything. It is too huge, easy-going, sociable and dispersed to have either the concentration or the intensity that are essential to political leadership. It gossips on politics, but does not guide them and only influences them—but there its influence is considerable—through the channels of society. Politically Paris is nearly always France, but London is very rarely England, never, perhaps, except in time of war or some great internal crisis.

In nearly all other directions, however, the ascendancy of the metropolis is so constant and overwhelming that the rest of England hardly has a fair chance. Pretty nearly everyone who writes or paints settles down within the four-mile radius as instinctively as Daudet turned towards Paris. There and there alone in England do they find the kind of atmosphere and intellectual stimulus and the environment that make for productivity and finish. The provinces in consequence are somewhat beggared, and develop neither the intellectual nor the artistic life, nor the local patriotism that flourishes in countries where no one city irresistibly attracts to itself most of the creative and critical faculty of the people, or monopolises nearly everything that is best worth having.

## Washington's Example.

If London is an exaggerated instance of one type of capital, Washington is a not less extreme example of another. Except officially and technically, one hardly, indeed, thinks of Washington as the veritable capital of the American Commonwealth. It radiates next to nothing. It has no commerce and no manufactures, and no influence over the arts and letters of the American

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people. The day is infinitely distant, and may never come at all, when every American artist, author, dramatist, and musician will feel impelled to live in Washington. Neither in politics nor in finance, nor in social prestige can it ever become to America what Rome is to Italy or Berlin to Germany. So far as one can see its fate is to remain for ever what it is now, the chief administrative and legislative fount of the country, with a small but attractive social fringe.

That, too, is the fate, in all probability, reserved for the capitals which the exigencies of Australian and South African politics and sentiment will eventually call into fictitious existence. They will never be the real capitals of their countries in wealth, numbers, trade or influence. They will always be overshadowed by other cities. They will remain, in short, mere collections of government buildings, of less moment to Australia and South Africa than is even Bern to Switzerland or Madrid to Spain, apart from the central stream of national life and beyond the possibilities of genuine leadership. Which is the better type of capital, a London or a Washington, a London that absorbs nearly everything in the country, or a Washington that leaves ample room for local development and local rivalries? Should a nation have one supreme and over-powering city or a number of smaller ones? Which is better for its social health, its intellectual advancement, its political vitality, and the quantity and quality of its civilization—concentration at one point or dispersion over several? Every one of these questions is involved in the decision which South Africa is making and which Australia has just made.

## STITCHING UP THE HEART.

Man's Life Saved by Remarkable Operation at Leeds.

A remarkable operation upon the heart of a Leeds butcher who was accidentally stabbed with a following occupation was carried out by the surgeons of the Leeds Infirmary recently.

The man was removed to the institution in a collapsed state. The wound seems to have been a severe one, the wall of the heart being punctured. An operation was instantly performed and the lesion in the man's heart successfully stitched up. For the moment at least, as the result of this prompt surgical treatment, the man's life is saved.

The carrying-out of such remarkable operations as that of stitching up the heart is of comparatively recent practice, and has only been rendered possible by the high state of efficiency in modern surgical work.

During the past two or three years cases similar to the one mentioned above have been dealt with successfully. In one extraordinary instance, where a man's life was absolutely despaired of some time ago, as the result of a serious stab puncturing the heart, the operation was performed as a forlorn hope, and the man eventually recovered under skilful treatment. For some considerable time afterwards he was walking about and performing his duties, apparently as well as ever.

At the annual dinner of the Society of Women Journalists at the Gaiety restaurant in London a few weeks ago, there were to be seen many well-known feminine figures in the literary world, and in addition there were present Lord Macdonnell, Sir William Robson (attorney-general), Sir Lauder Brunton, Sir Charles Euan-Smith, and Swift McNeill, M. P.

In an interesting speech Mrs. J. R. Green, the president of the society, proposed the toast of "The Guests." In responding the attorney-general caused laughter by saying that he preferred to confine his remarks to journalism as a whole rather than talk particularly of the ladies' connection with it. He thought the work of journalists was not appreciated at its true worth. It would be a long time before they got for their admirable products anything more than the strictest of economical law would give them. In fact, the prices of their wares seemed to go on being reduced and diminished until very soon the smallest coin of the realm would be more than enough for the news of the universe.

"One of the things," continued Sir William, "that amazes me and fills me with admiration for all those concerned in press work is not merely the indifference to public recognition, but their shrinking from it. There is something almost uncanny in the spectacle of people who spend their daily lives in laboring in this direction, and yet keep themselves obscured under a veil of anonymity. But what the individual loses in personal vanity, the press as an institution undoubtedly gains."

The power of the press has increased and was increasing, in spite of complaints. Year by year it was extending its beneficial influence upon mankind. England was controlled by an anonymous monarchy. In every town had been set up what one might call a shrouded throne—the editorial chair of the local paper. The sceptre had shrunk into the stylograph; and instead of the sword and mace we had the scissors and the paste. The power belonged to the pen, and the press produced a greater awe among its subjects than regal robes, and that power might be anything—it might be a man, or it might be a woman.

In conclusion, the attorney-general referred to the journalist's great pitfall, the law of libel. There was no doubt that in regard to this journalists in other countries were better off, but there was one consolation even to pressmen in the law of libel and the severity with which it was sometimes administered in England. In other countries, America, France and Italy, the utterances of the press were not considered of very great importance, and it was not thought that they had any great effect upon those who had been attacked. But in this country the lightest word of the press carried with them weight, which was in itself an enormous credit to the press.

A sound of phosphorus heads 1,000,000 matches.